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IDF enters Ramallah, with PA, in search for terrorists

HERB KEINON and ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

BEIT EL Bet resident Etta Tzur and her 12-year-old son, Ephraim, were killed by terrorists in a drive-by shooting near Beit El last

Her husband, Yoel, and four other children aged four to 17 were wounded in the attack.

Following the attack the IDF exercised its right to enter Palestinian-controlled territory in such incidents and, in cooperation with the Palestinian Police, entered PA-controlled Ramallah, where a car answering the description of the attackers' vehicle was found on fire in a garbage

The wounded were taken to Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem's Ein Kerem section. where one of the children was listed in satisfactory condition, and the others in good condition. Ephraim Tzur died near the scene of the attack, while his father was trying to drive to a nearby gas station for help; his mother died on the operating table.

Prime Minister Binyamin

Netanyahu cut short his vacation in the South to visit the family at the hospital. At a press conference he confirmed that IDF troops and Israeli policemen entered Ramallah, along with the for the assailants.

Netanyahu said he sent a message to Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat, saying: "We are not willing to accept that the Palestinian Authority provide cover for these murderers, and will not do everything needed, and everything it is obligated to do under the [Oslo] accords, to find



Ambulance workers help a wounded daughter of the Tzur family after her mother, Etta, and 12-year-old brother Ephraim were killed in a drive-by terrorist attack last night near Beit El. Her father, Yoel, and four siblings were wounded in the attack. (AP)

these people and bring them to

Netanyahu, who said he was impressed by the spiritual strength of the family, added: "These people are part of us. We are committed to their security, and will provide them with security. Anyone who thinks they will uproot the people of Israel from its land, and from the heart of its land, by these types of terror acts, should know that we will approof them."

The prime minister said that the manner in which the PA searches for the assailants and extradites them is a test. "We expect them to help us find these child murderers and extradite them. We will not rest until they are found," he sant

A special cabinet session is to be held today to discuss the attack,

The attack occurred on a yearold road leading from Beit El to Doley, near the Palestinian village of Surda, on the seam between areas classified under the Oslo Accords as Areas B and C, both

under Israeli jurisdiction. An IDF source said the assailants, driving a Subaru with blue, territories license plates, fired at the car and then fled in the direction of Ramallah.

IDF troops and Israeli policemen entered Palestinian-controlled Ramallah, but refrained from carrying out unilateral searches, opting instead to be escorted by members of the Palestinian Police. The IDF clamped a curfew on

Ramallah and the surrounding area, hoping to trap the terrorists in the city. Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai instructed the IDF to "act with all the might necessary to locate and capture the murderous cell of terrorists who carried out the attack." He later visited the site of the ambush. Mordechai and Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Shahak were to meet late last night with Beit El residents.

Palestinian security forces arrived quickly at the scene of the ambush and began coordinating efforts almost immediately, sources in the Central Command said.

We are in the middle of the pursuit," said OC Central Command Maj.-Gen. Uzi Dayan. "The IDF reacted quickly. We are carrying out searches wherever we need



A detective points to a bullet casing on the ground next to the Tzur family's bullet-ridden car.

to," he said. "We have no restrictions if we have information, but you have to remember that we have hundreds of kilometers of roads here," Dayan said. "The searches were carried out around Ramallah, The moment the Palestinians started cooperating, there was no reason why we should not coordinate our entrance [into Ramallah] with

them," Dayan told reporters. Central Command sources denied, bowever, that Israeli forces were conducting a "hot pursuit" after the terrorists, since it was not known where the gunmen

Dayan said the Palestinians Folice reacted "relatively quickly" to locate a car fitting the descripnon of the one driven by the terng in 3 garbage dump going up in tlames. IDF troops, led by Dayan, and an Israel Police forensic unit went into Ramallah under Palestinian Police escort to examine the burning vehicle.

Israeli security officials have been warning that the situation in the territories is very tense and an attack like this was expected.

Dayan said it was too early to speculate which terrorist organization is behind the attack. Channel 2 said it may have been a cell of the Marxist Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which is known to

operate in the area. Israel Radio, quoting senior military sources, said the attack may have been carried out by the "Halhoul squad" previously believed to be operating out of the Hebron area and responsible for two deadly drive-by shootings near Beit Shemesh,

In a similar ambush in November last year, Uzi Nevo, a rabbi from Kochay Ya'acov near El-Birch, was shot and seriously wounded not far from the site of yesterday's attack. Last May, David Boim, a 17-year va student, was shot and killed to a drive-by shooting while waiting for a bus outside Beit El. Boim's parents reissued their demand last night for the suspected murderer of their son to be handed over to

"All signs point to him being in Ramallah. [Last night's] attack was carried out in the same way as

the one which killed my son, It would kill me to know that maybe this murderer may have been responsible for these new mur-

ders," said Joyce Boim. Boim said that the suspected killer, Amjad Hannoi, was picked up by the Palestinian Authority, but has not been extradited. She said that an official extradition request was made by the government only two weeks ago.

"He is suppose to be in the cus-tody of the Palestinian Authority, but I have my doubts," she said last night. "What kind of peace is this, if Arabs can feel free to murdet our children and escape to their Oslo havens of refuge?

Settlers in the region said last night that the road where the attack took place, which cuts driving time from Beit El 10 the Coastal Plain in half, has been relarively quiet. This is the first such incident I can remember on the road," said Aliza Herbst. spokesman for the Binyamin Regional Council.

Bystanders said the family's blue station wagon was riddled with more than 30 bullets.

Yeheda Pinsky, deputy head of the Binyamin Regional Council, said Tzur managed to drive his car to the Beit El gas station. Avigeor Sharz, chief security officer for the Binyamin Regional Council, said emergency vehicles were at the scene in a matter of minutes.

The Tzur family is one of the veteran and leading families in Beit El Bet, said fellow resident Dov Kalmanovitz. He said Yoel Tzur is one of the managers of the Arutz 7 pirate radio station, and also one of the administrative heads of Yeshivat Beit El. Pinsky said that, in addition to the five children in the ear at the time of the attack, the family has another four children.

"If Yasser Arafat does not come across now and show that Ramallah is not a city of refuge. there is nothing else to talk to him about" Pinsky said.

Kalmanovitz, who was wounded in a Palestinian attack during the early days of the intifada, said the attack shows that, "We eannot depend on anybody but ourselves to provide us with SCCUTILY.

Meridor: Attacks threaten peace talks

"WE will not be able to continue the peace talks if they are accompanied by such incidents," Finance Minister Dan Meridor said last night of yesterday's drive-by shooting

Meanwhile, Labor Party chairman Shimon Peres strongly condemned the attack, saying that the terrorist organizations were doing al they could to stop any chance for progress towards peace. He called on the Palestman Anthority to do all it could do arrest those responsible and to prevent such terrible acts of murder.

Other reactions to the murder of Etta and Ephraim Tzur by Arab terrorists were largely along party lines, with the Right demanding a halt to the Oslo process, while the Left rwanted it speeded up.

Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee chairman MK Uzi Landau of the Likud said that "if this premeditated cowardly murder shows anything, it is that the Oslo process is a bloody one. The PA faces three tests - to prevent terrorism, apprehend terrorists and extradite them to Israel. In the latest terrorist outrage the PA miserably failed the first test and we will see now how at fares on the remaining ones."

Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan stressed that "if the latest attack offers any lesson, it is that the government must under no cir-

cumstances compromise on any detail which could compromise the personal security of Israelis. This must remain the basic consideration both so far as the interim arrangements are concerned, and no less so in the case of the final agreement."

Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani concluded that "Israel is still fighting for its very existence and the terrorist murders show that this struggle continues unabated despite the peace process. When it comes to security, we can rely on no one but

However, he added that "from a pragmatic point of view I don't think that hot pursuit in Ramallah is an option...The PA police ought to seek the murderers, arrest them and deal with them severely."

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer said the latest terrorist crime "proves how dangerous it is to deprive the IDF of freedom of action in Judea and Samaria, and how threadbare and deceitful the entire Oslo process is." He requested an urgent session of the security cabinet, and a demand that the PA extradite the murderers.

NRP Knesset faction Chairman Hanan Porat wondered "what is the point of nego-

tiating with the PA over Hebron, when it does not live up to any of its undertakings and when it turns the cities handed over to it into safe havens for murderers."

He said the NRP will demand that "the Nahal outpost of Yad Yair, near the attack site, become a civilian settlement forthwith as a minimal response to the murderous out-

Moledet leader Rehavam Ze'evi called on the government to "stop debasing itself and endangering Israeli citizens by negotiating with the murderous gang headed by Arafat. The attack was not to act of Arafat's opponents but was commissioned by him as part of his negotiating tactic. He has long discovered that when he spills Israeli blood, be wins more concessions and more quickly. To gain at the negotiating table, he sends

killers with guns to the roads." Labor's Ehud Barak said the murders were committed by "those extreme elements which have made it their objective to fell as may Israelis as they can... Arafat must employ an iron fist against these elements for his sake and for the future of the entire

Labor MK Ephraim Sneh said that "it is

the crisis in the talks with the Palestinians which enables terror to raise its head...The government must intensify the talks with the PA to make possible joint campaigns against terror."

Labor Secretary-General Nissim Zvilli advised the nation to "grit our teeth, wipe the tears and continue with the peace process...This is the only way peace will

Meretz MK Ran Cohen argued that yesterday's murders should "encourage the government to vacate Hebron as soon as possible. The sooner the better.

Democratic Arab Party MK Taleb a Sanaa said "the incident does not contribute to the furthering of peace and we must work towards peace with greater intensity and greater speed."

David Rudge adds: Israeli Arab leaders last night denounced the attack, and called on the government and the Palestinian Authority to resolve all outstanding problems on the path to peace. We condemn all forms of violence and especially attacks on innocent people," said Hussein Suleiman, spokesman for the forum of Arab Council Heads. "An anack like this only serves to undermine the peace.

as well as coexistence between the two peo-

DAVID MAKOVSKY and news agencies EGYPTIAN President Hosni Mubarak complained yesterday that Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu is backtracking on a commitment to have Egypt's

Mubarak: Netanyahu

promised negotiating

role for Moussa

Mubarak insisted Netanyahu made the offer during a meeting with Moussa last week in Lisbon, only to change his mind due to domestic politics on returning to Jerusalem. "It's bad after you have discussed something to then go home to Israel and say statements that are against all that you agreed

Foreign Minister Amr Moussa

play a role in resolving the cur-

rent impasse over a Hebron pull-

upon," he said. They want us to press (Palestinian Authority leader Yasser) Arafat to accept their proposals, whether public opinion in Palestine agreed to it or not, or whether Mr. Arafat finds it feasible or not," Mubarak said.

In a briefing for reporters a couple of days ago. Foreign Minister David Levy said Netanyahu informed Mubarak that Israel did not want Moussa to intercede in this delicate issue, believing that the end result would be more "complications" and "delays,"

While welcoming Egyptian efforts to moderate Palestinian demands, Levy made clear he feared a precedent for future talks with the Palestinians, now that Egypt considered itself as almost an equal parmer in the talks. Other senior officials voiced concern that Egypt was seeking to usurp the US's preeminent role as a

mediator. Mubarak rejected israel's view that Egypt is not an honest broker. Furthermore, Mubarak declared Egypt instigated the peace process and our presence does not need permission. Egypt's role is there and you cannot live without it." he said.

Within a few hours of Mubarak's comments, the Prime Minister's Office issued a statement that Netanyahu was dispatching foreign policy adviser Dore Gold today to Cairo to "prepare the visit of Foreign Minister Moussa to Israel."

Last night, it remained unclear when Moussa would come and to what extent his visit would be ried to the Hebron talks.

Moussa has not visited Israel since 1994, when his teluctance to visit Yad Vashem created a contro-

US industrialist gives \$30m. to Technion

A 74-YEAR-OLD US industrialist is making one of the largest single donations ever to an Israeli university. The \$30 million gift from William Davidson will be used by the Haifa Technion to establish the world's first comprehensive business school for training managers to lead international technology-

based industries. Technion president Prof. Zehev Tadmor, who announced the donation yesterday, said the Davidson School will "help us harness Israel's vast technological capaciity to foster economic growth through targeted management education and research.

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Davidson, president and chief executive of Guardian Industries Corp. of Anburn Hills, Michigan. The donation is the largest gift ever secured by the American Technion Society, the Technion's

friends group in the US. The school's mission will be to provide management skills for both recent graduates and experienced executives with strong science and engineering backgrounds. The focus will be on management training for technology-based, exportoriented businesses competing in global markets.

"It will integrate technology and management in conjunction with the Technion's 19 science, architecture, technology, town-planning and medical facilities. It will incorporate the existing Faculty of

Industrial Engineering

Management [with its 1,500 students and 50 full-time faculty], almost doubling its size with the incorporation of the new graduate management studies unit [with a projected student body of over 1,000 and 40 additional faculty

members.]" Explaining why he chose this project for his philanthropy. Davidson said "Israel has a critical need for a world-class business school that will equip its technological pioneers with the skills necessary to translate successes in

the lab into successes in the global marketplace. From my 40 years' experience doing business in Israel and actively investing in its high-tech and finance sector, I believe that technology-based industry represents a tremendous opportunity_to attract foreign capital and, in turn, enhance its long-term economic security."

Manufacturers Israel president Dan Association Propper said it was vital to provide high-tech industrials with engineers having top-level manage-ment skills. It will fill a large void, providing much-needed personnel for senior management positions," be said.

Dow drops 1% on fears of a longer retreat

NEW YORK - US Stocks fell sharply yesterday as a big increase in interest rates sparked worries the market may be starting a long retreat from record high levels. At the close on Wall Street, the

Dow Jones industrial average was down 70.73 points at 6,402.52, after earlier falling as much as 120 points. With the exception of some technology stocks, the self-off was broad based, hitting blue chips as well. Declining issues outnumbered gainers by a 4-to-1 margin on the New York Stock Exchange. Wall Street Report, Page 9

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Ras al-Amud approval not automatic

THE decision to establish a Jewish neighborhood in Ras al-Amud is not automatic, because Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu will either personally review plans or bring the issue before the cabinet, senior officials said last night.

Meanwhile, if plans to build the neighborhood are implemented. there will be an "explosion." Faisal Husseini, the senior Palestinian Authority official in Jerusalem, warned yesterday.

Husseini told Israel Radio that the situation was comparable to the one in which Israeli authorities were surprised by the violence that followed the opening of an exit to the Western Wall Tunnel in

September.
"I am saying now," Husseini said, "this will lead to an explosion. Don't do this. I don't know how, where, or when, but this issue will lead to an explosion. Anyone who wants to preserve the peace, and the peace accords, has to do every-

thing to stop this decision."
Attorney Daniel Seidemann, who represents the Arab residents of Ras al-Amud, said that if the plan is not signed by the Interior Minister or sent back to the Jerusalem disDAVID MAKOVSKY HERB KEINON and LIAT COLLINS

trict planning committee within 90 days, it is approved automatically. Interior Minister Eli Suissa dis-

qualified himself from reviewing the project. As head of the planning committee. Suissa had been instrumental in the plan passing through various earlier stages. Seidemann said it has not yet been determined which minister will now review the project, but it will likely be Labor and Social Affairs Minister Eli Yishai. Yishai also is reviewing plans for a new neighborhood in lerusalem's Har Homa, since Suissa also disqualified himself from reviewing that project.

A meeting on the issue was held at Orient House yesterday, with Husseini, Ziad Abu Ziad, and Peace Now's Janet Aviad among those attending.

Peace Now is planning a demonstration with Palestinian groups at the site Friday.

The decision to go ahead with building a Jewish neighborhood in Ras el-Amud was compared by

several Arab and left-wing MKs to the decision to open the Western Wall Tunnel. That move sparked lethal Palestinian riots. In a raucous Knesset hearing on

the issue yesterday. MK Walid Sadek (Meretz) said the government was acting against all logic and, instead of calming the situation, had taken a decision "that would undoubtedly bring about dangerous crises between the Jewish and Arab populations. On the one hand, the government is delaying construction in east Jerusalem and on the other it is encouraging Jewish building in the very heart of an Arab neighbor-

Deputy Housing Minister Meir Porush said the ministry had been trying to equalize services and facilities in eastern and western Jerusalem and presented figures to back his claim. He stressed the right of Jews to live in eastern Jerusalem and the importance of continued Israeli rule there, noting that he is a seventh-generation Jerusalemite.

Still, Porush said he feared the Palestinians would soon demand the Baka and Katamon neighbor-



Foreign Minister David Levy (right) greets Jordanian Information Minister Marwan Muasher in Jerusalem yesterday. (Brim Hendler)

Man indicted as KGB spy

THE police acting with the General Security Service recently arrested Anatoly Gendler, an Israeli citizeo who immigrated here 16 years ago from the former Soviet Union, on suspicion of spying for the KGB and its successor,

Following the partial lifting of a publication ban, Gendler was indicted in Tel Aviv District Court several days ago on charges of espionage and contacting an enemy agent.

His lawyer, Haim Misgav. denied the charges on behalf of his

According to police, Gendler, 47, and an electrical engineer, was sent here with his family after vigorous training by the KGB. Over the years he allegedly transferred much sensitive, classified information to his operators.

The GSS received intelligence informatioo on his alleged activities and gave him ample opportunity to admit his involvement. questioning him on several occasions and keeping him under sur-

But Gendler consistently denied any connectioo to his Russian operators, who were apparently satisfied with his work.

Police said he received regular payments amounting to tens of thousands of dollars for his services, and met with his operators

Two Palestinians found guilty in London bombings

LONDON (Reuter) Palestinians were convicted at the Old Bailey court yesterday of plotting bomb attacks against Jewish targets in London, one of which badly damaged the Israeli embassy in

Jawad Botneh and Samar Alami will be sentenced Monday. The judge released a third man, Mahmoud Abu Wardeh, clearing him of all charges.

They were accused of conspiring to plant two bombs - one outside the Israeli Embassy and another near the offices of a Jewish charity in north London, causing millions of pounds of damage in what prosecutors said was an attempt to sabotage the Middle East peace process.

Mercifully, no one was killed or seriously injured but they were grave acts of terrorism," the judge, Justice

Patrick Garland, told the jury in

part of a Palestinian guerrilla cell in Britain, prosecutor David Calvert-Smith said. Police traced the pair after finding a cache of arms and bomh ingredients in a safe deposit box. The three defendants denied the charges.Calvert-Smith said a third tice. He said Botrach and Alami had enlisted the services of "a respectable, middle-aged woman" to plant the bomb outside the Israeli embassy, which neighbors Kensington Palace, in June 1994.

The embassy bomh was set off after then-prime minister Yitzhak Rabin and King Hussein of Jordan signed the Washington Declaration

summing up the two-mouth trial. Botmen, 28, and Alami, 30, were

bomber may never be brought to jus-

that paved the way for peace between their two countries.

Bronfman questions Swiss review of **Holocaust assets**

MARILYN HENRY WASHINGTON

THE main review of Holocaustera assets in Switzerland came under assault in the US Coogress yesterday by the head of the World Jewish Restitution Organizatioo, who questioned

the sincerity of the Swiss. "I am oervous ahout the amount of truth we will find," said WJRO head Edgar Bronfman. "I am not convinced in my own heart and soul that [the Swiss bankers] are cooperat-

The WJRO last May formed a panel with the Swiss Bankers Association to arrange for an audit of the dormant Holocaustera accounts in Swiss banks.

That panel, led by former Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker, has just hired international firms to conduct what is being called a "forensic" audit. Broofman also attacked the

work of the Swiss banking ombudsman as "pathetic," saying the ombudsman's early efforts to recover assets yielded less than

Although there are substantial practical difficulties in resolving

the issue. Volcker said. "I canoot cooceive of another approach that can over better prospects for reaching a suc-

cessful conclusion in a shorter

period of time." Thomas Borer, Switzerland's coordinator of the review of Swiss war-time activities, acknowledged that previous Swiss iovestigations for wartime assets, "however scriously mioded and diligent, had been conducted piecemeal and with-

Out the necessary perspective."
However, he added, "Nothing is more important to the people and government of Switzerland than establishing the complete truth in this matter as swiftly

and humanely as possible." In a bid to restore his country's Borer said, reputation, Tolerance and uoderstanding have long been part of the fahric of Swiss society. Among many other such examples stands the fact that almost a ceotury ago, Theodor Herzl cooveoed the first Zionist coogress on Swiss territory, io the city of Basel, my

Amman envoy raps Ras al-Amud plan ARIEH O'SULLIVAN AND DAVID MAKOVSKY

JORDANIAN Information Minister Marwan Muasher voiced opposition yesterday to plans for a Jewish oeighborhood in the Ras al-Amud section of Jerusalem.

"The Jordanian position regarding settlemeots, whether in east Jerusalem or io the rest of the West Bank, is very clear - we are against any settlemeot activity in the West Bank," Muasher told reporters after meeting with Foreign Minister David Levy.

"We feel that this poses a threat to the peace process in general, to the Palestinians and

also to Jordan." Muasher also condemned the attack oo settlers near Beit El as "barbaric" and "cowardly."

During his meeting with Levy, Muasher sooght assurances Israel would stick to the Oslo timetable and continue the peace process beyond a Hebron pullback, diplomatic sources say. "Muasher wanted to be sure

that Hebroo is not last step in the peace process," according to sources familiar with the coover-

Muasher and Levy spoke of cooperatioo and the strengthening of ties. Mussher invited the foreign minister to visit Jordan. Some believe Levy may visit as

soco as next week. Muasher also invited Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai to

Mordechai moved yesterday to allay Jordanian concerns over settlement activity in Jodea and Samaria, telling Muasher that any building was due to "natural growth" and that there was no

intention of setting up new set-Meeting at the Defense Ministry

in Tel Aviv, Mordechai told the Jordanian minister that Israel was interested in advancing the peace process with the Palestinians, bot added he did

not understand PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's unwillingness to close a deal on the redeployment in Hebron, defense sources said. He-added that King Hussein understood the Middle East well and said he appreciated the

monarch's sense that the peace process must continue.

Peace between Israel and Jordan has strategie importance and everything must be done in order for this peace to be a warm and close peace between two oations," Mordechai said. He added this warm peace would also enhance negotiations with

the Palestinians. Earlier in the day, Muashar visited the Knesset where he met with speaker Dan Tichon and Arab MKs. It was the first visit by a Jordanian minister to the

NRP threatens coalition crisis over Sabbath arrest of Arnon

THE National Religious Party threatened a coalitioo crisis yesterday after Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani failed to take steps they thought oeces-sary in light of the Shabbat arrest of Hebroo settlement leader Noam Arnon.

Kahalani, after meeting with-NRP MKs Hanan Porat and Shaul Yahalom, said that the arrest was legal, but that "there was poor judgement" in transporting Arnon on Shabbat from Hebroo to the Gush Etzion police station, and from there to Ashkelon.

Kahalani said that the directives oo how to handle the arrest of observant Jews on Shabbat need to be reviewed. Judea and Samaria police dis-

trict chief Cmdr. Alec Ron also

minister may decide to fire me, but if that happens the sky will not fall. As long as I hold this position, I will make arrests for this' type of thing. I will arrest everyone who attacks a policeman." Arnon denies he attacked the

policeman, and said the policeman was acting aggressively with Jews in the cave and when asked for his name, countered with the arrest. Ron said policemen claim Arnon attacked them. In the Knesset plenum yesterday, Kahalani explained Arnon's

arrest as "a mistake stemming from the tension" in the area, responding to a motion by Porat. He said arrests should not be made on Shabbat unless there is a met with Kahalani yesterday, and case of true danger, and it made said the arrest was justified. "The no difference whether the person

was observant or secular. Interrogations should also oot

take place on Shabbat, he said.

NRP director general Zevulum

Orleve said that he was "disappointed" by Kahalani's reaction, adding it should have been much more forceful. He said that the NRP will demand that police issue directives that observant Jews arrested not be forced to desecrate Shabbat, except in cases where lives were endan-

gered, "We will not sit in a government in which the police force Jews to break Shabbat," be warned. He said that the Arnon arrest revealed a widespread problem of police oot knowing how to handle the arrest of observant Jews on Shabbat.

Liat Collins contributed to this

SARAH HONIG PRIME Minister Binyamin Netanyahu will from now on include two more ministers in his

Ariel Sharon. The two already participated for the first time in the Hebron deliberations Tuesday. Thus far, Netanyahu regularly conferred with Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai and Foreign Minister David Levy. This group had come to be known as Netanyaho's

regular consultations on Hebron -

Finance Minister Dan Meridor and

National Infrastructure Minister

"political kitchen." A source close to Netanyahu, however, dismissed the notion of a "kitchen cabinet" or of its expansion now. According to the source, "it is nonsense to say that there

Hebron cabinet clique hence, to argue now that the kitchen was broadened." "Netanyahu up to now consulted

regularly with Mordechai and Levy, and will probably call on Sharon and Meridor to take part in these consultations and that's all there is to it oo drama." However, Sharon had been smarting from what he perceived

as his exclusion from the inner sanctum, despite his expertise. Sharou's umbrage could be a potent political problem for Netanyahu, as the Infrastructure minister's popularity is strong on the political right. Having Sharon at his side could be a valuable tool in defusing opposition to a rede-ployment in Hebron, much as he helped the late prime minister ever was such a 'kitchen' and, Menachem Begin evacuate Sinai.

MK Tarif: Arab families say requests for reunification are not being handled

KNESSET Interior Committee Chairman Sallah Tarif (Labor) vesterday said the committee had received oumerous complaints from Arab residents of eastern Jerusalem who claim their requests for family reunification are oot being dealt with. "Rehind each request is a per-

son — women, old people, and childreo who are prevented from living a normal life with their families," Tarif said, during a committee meeting on the sub-

Orna Coheo from the Association for Civil Rights in LIAT COLLINS

Israel accused the Interior Ministry of failing to explain the reason for refusing or confiscatiog ideotity cards and for rescinding the status of permanent residents. She said requests presented in 1994 had oot been dealt with yet, and the families remained divided in the mean-

Azmi Ahu Said, the director of the civil rights office in Orient House, said the Interior Ministry is similar to "a monster which devours identity cards." He said

that since May, 55 families had been forced to leave the country against their will. "We're the owners of Jerusalem and we won't agree to being recognized only as tourists," he said.

Ministry representatives said Israel is considered an attractive country to live in, and the ministry has to cope with the growing phenomenon of marriages carried oot for immigration purposes. They denied a policy of discrimination against Arabs, and noted that the ministry had won in each case appealed in the Supreme Court.

Three-year-old boy run over

Meridor, Sharon join

into the street from between parked cars to get to his mother

A three-year-old boy from the oo the other side. Gaza District was struck and The boy was in Nahalat killed by a car in Nahalat Yehuda to visit his sister, who Yehuda, oorth of Rishon lives there. He died on the way Lezioo, yesterday, after he ran to the hospital. Police launched an investigation.

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Golan leaders denounce FM words on Heights compromise **DAVID RUDGE**

LEADERS of Golan Heights Jewish communities yesterday decounced remarks by Foreign Minister David Levy in support of a compromise on the Golan in talks with Syria.

Golan Resideots Committee chairman Avi Zeira, as well as Golan regional council head Yehuda Wolman and Kaztrin local council chairman Sammy Bar-Lev, sent a strongly-worded letter of protest to Prime Minister

Binyamin Netanyahu. They charged that Levy's stated

stance contradicted the government's guidelines regarding the Golan, which they reiterated in the letter to Netanyahu.

The Golan leaders expressed concern that Levy's comments would be interpreted in Syria as "payment for its threats of violence" and would encourage Syria to make its position more extreme.

They called on Netanyaho to reiterate the government's commitment to keep all of the Golan under Israeli rule.

Saudis reportedly won't drop boycott

CAIRO (AP) - Despite US pressure, Saudi Arabia has reportedly refused to drop its boycott of Israel.

The Clinton administration has pledged to block the admission of Saudi Arabia to the World Trade Organization until it abandons its participation in the Arab economic boycott.

But the Saudi-owned Al-Hayat newspaper quoted unnamed Saudi officials yesterday as saying the kingdom will not drop the embargo. The move would represent a setback to US attempts to end Israel's longstanding isolation in the region,

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KNESSET Law Committee Chairman Shaul Yahalom (Nanonal Religious Party) plans to ask Instice Minister Tzahi Hanegbi to take disciplinary action against a Beersheba judge who allegedly made insulting remarks about the haredim.

Judge Oded Alyagon, president of the Beersheba Magistrate's Court, was quoted as saying. We have become a target for parasites to whom ideas such as the rule of law are unerly alien. These people, who have never contributed a jot to the country, have set themselves the goal of seizing control of the legal sys-tem, or intimidating it, so that they can continue to milk the state's resources without disturbance."

The remarks are alleged to have been made at a farewell party for a retiring judge at the end of August.
A motion by MK Yitzhak Cohen (Shas) on the subject was transferred to the Law Committee for discussion. The committee meeting is to

take place soon. Yahalom announced yesterday, however, that he plans to use the meeting to ask Hanegbi to file disciplinary charges against Alyagon for behavior not befitting a judge.

Yahalom said such statements by a judge undermined the public's faith in the judiciary, and, therefore, the entire democratic system.

He said he considered the issue so serious he met with Supreme Court President Aharon Barak about it Tuesday, Barak told him be considered Alyagon's statement extremely grave and had reprimanded him orally and in writing. As the head of the judiciary, Barak said he considered himself personally injured by Alyagon's words, according to

Barak said he considered his reprimand punishment enough for Alyagon, Yahalom said. But in any case the only person with anthority to file disciplinary charges is the justice minister, he said.

Committee member and former chairman Dedi Zucker (Meretz) protested Yahalom's plans to request a disciplinary hearing. It is imprecedented for a parliamentary committee to recommend disciplinary proceedings against a judge, he said. and sets a "dangerous precedent of pobticizing the judicial system."



Knesset Speaker Dan Tichon (Likud) opens the annual Magen David Adom blood drive in the Knesset yesterday.

MK Massale attacks House blood drive

LIAT COLLINS and JUDY SIEGEL

ed at the last moment not to donate blood yesterday, during the armual Magen David Adom blood drive bers of the Ethiopian community into the garbage. This is your test in the Knesset, when he was told today, what you do with my his blood would be frozen for later testing, because he is of Ethiopian Matza assured him that the only

origin and in a high-risk category.

By chance the Massale met consideration in using his blood would be the public's health. "If Health Minister Yehoshua Matza your blood is found to be mifit for (Likud) who was also giving blood and told him: "I came to use, it won't be used; if it's found fit, it will be used." Massale, howdonate blood. For years Magen ever, refused to be calmed. David Adom and the Health Ministry threw the blood of meming to adopt the recommendations

MK Adisu Massale (Labor) decid-

of the Navon Commission, formed after violent demonstrations by Ethiopian immigrants after they learned their donated blood was being discarded. The commission recommended in July that blood should not be taken from anyone who spent at least six months during the past 10 years in any of 63 AIDS-afflicted countries. This and other recommendations have not yet been implemented by the min-istry, which says it is still consid-

when he reached the clause on the donors' questionnaire which asks about country of birth: "This is

ering them.

Massale grew particularly upset

exactly the problem," he said. "I can't say I came from Sweden, but I immigrated 16 years ago and you have turned all Ethiopian immigrants into one big case of AIDS." He continued to complain after filling out the forms, telling the blood bank director that he does not trust the service, because he was lied to in the past.

Finance panel unhappy with budget cuts

Finance bers left a Finance eridor yes-KNESSET Committee members left a meeting with Finance Minister Dan Meridor yesnerday convinced that an NIS 6.7 billion budget cut is needed, but still unconvinced that the cuts terday convinced that an Meridor has proposed are the right way to achieve

Meridor said he gave the committee the same economic analysis he gave the cabinet this week.

"I hope they were convinced," he said. From now on, the critical arena is here... The responsibility falls largely on these MKs, and I expect them to demonstrate the same responsibility that the cabinet

Meridor said he told the MKs that they were mistaken if they thought economic laws applied only in university, and had no impact in the real world. It was precisely this thinking that led to the economic crisis of the early 1980s, which ultimately demanded much harsher measures to correct, he said.

He also said the MKs were mistaken if they thought headline-making threats were the way to gain popularity. The public admires responsible behavior more than populism in its leaders, he said.

"Coalition MKs must adjust quickly to the fact that they are no longer sitting on the opposition benches, just as opposition MKs have adjusted to the fact that they are no longer in the coalition," he con-

Committee chairman Avraham Ravitz (United Torah Judaism) said be had been very impressed with Meridor's presentation, and that no one looking at that data could not reach the same conclusion Meridor did: That a NIS 6.7b. cut was need-

ed.
"I don't think there was a single MK who left not thinking a cut was necessary," he said. "We have an overdraft, and we need to cover it... precisely so that the lower classes won't be burt [by the economic collapse which will ensue if the problem is not addressed]."

Nevertheless, he said, there was no way to pass the budget without changing two items. Cuts in child allowances and payments for doc-

"I'm not even sure [those who issues in the 1997 budget.

oppose these items] are completely correct," he said. "But when can you do? They have become a populist issue, and there will be changes in them."
Ravitz said he thinks Meridor understands this, and that a compromise will be reached in time to pass

the budget by December 31. Michael Kleiner (Gesher) reacted similarly.

"I was convinced that we need a NIS 7b. cut," he said. "But I still think we need to take from those who have rather than from those who do not. To my sorrow, there is still direct injury to the lower classes (in this budget)

Kleiner said be was referring mainly to the cuts in child allowances and payments for doc-tors' visits, which were part of the original budget proposal. Since the details of the additional cut approved by the cabinet this week have not yet been worked out, he does not yet know how he feels about them, he

Unlike most members of the social caucus, Kleiner said be agrees with Meridor that it would be a mistake to raise employers' national insurance payments, as this would discourage employment. Instead, he advocates an increase in value-added tax, which would have the desirable side effect of curbing consumption.

"In contrast to the traditional view that [VAT] is a regressive tax, I think it's a progressive tax, since those who spend more, pay more," he said. Opposition MKs also attacked the budget proposal.

"[Meridor's] proposal contains no solutions to the economic problems, and cames a heavy social price to

boot," said Haim Oron (Meretz). Avraham Shohat (Labor) noted that none of the major problems, such as child allowances and payments for doctors' visits, have yet been worked out, and the vote is less than three weeks away.

"I don't see how the government can end with the same budget it sub-mitted," he said. "In my estimation, the budget will pass, but not the way it is now. There will be very signifi-

cant changes." In other news, the religious caucus met yesterday to demand an additional NIS 300 million for religious

Clalit strike averted JUDY SIEGEL

A 24-HOUR warning strike sched-uled for today in Knoat Holim Clalit's hospitals and community clinics was called off after the two

sides met in the Tel Aviv regional labor court yesterday.

The strike by 30,000 nurses, pharmacists and administrative and maintenance workers was to have been a protest against the health fund management's plans to: replace regular staffers with temporary workers from outside in a variety of services, including the supply of medications. It had been approved by the Histadrut after a

labor dispute was declared.

The health fund's management

JERUSALEM police chief Cmdr. Arye Amit is to leave his post in March, after three years in the post. Amit informed Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani of his decision yesterday. One of the candidates to replace

and the unions agreed to sit down and try to resolve their disagreements. In the labor court, management agreed that new Clalit pharmacies would not open without union approval. In addition, management admitted that the deal it had reached regarding the supply of medications had violated previous agreements with Clalit pharmacists. The union would be efficiency moves are made, man-

He accused the ministry of fail-

Amit plans to first spend three months studying at Harvard University. He refused to be interviewed about the matter, but senior police sources said that

him is Southern District chief Condr. Yair Yitzhaki.

when he returns in the summer, he will be a candidate for Inspector-General. If he fails to land that post, he is likely to pursue a career in private business. Cradr. Gabi Last was recently made deputy inspector-general, meaning he the most likely candidate for the inspector-general's post, this despite Kahalani's saying this was not necessarily the case.

Amit stepping down

as J'lem police chief

Southern District police chief Cmdr. Yair Yitzhaki has been mentioned as informed before any additional the most likely candidate to replace Amit

'Women of the Wall harass men'

POSTERS addressed "to our Jewish sisters" greeted the Women of the Wall at their Rosh Hodesh prayers yesterday. The posters said Judaism does not condone sexual harassment, but added that an immodestly dressed woman who prays aloud near a man is guilty of harassing

Last month, when the Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform women's group came to the Western Wall to recite their prayers at the beginning of the Hebrew month, they were met by a group of haredi men who threw chairs and benches at them. The violence had apparently been organized, following reports MK Yael Dayan (Labor) would attend.

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"The Jewish definition of harassment includes not exposing to our view any part of you that you wouldn't want a stranger to touch," the posters said. "It also says that a man is forbidden to pray - whether aware of it or not - in front of such exposure. Your voice is an intimate part of you too, and so prayer is forbidden to the Jewish man if any

female voice is to be heard." The women's prayer service at the Wall yesterday went off without incident. The posters, which were written in English, fined the route the women normally take from the Wall, where they recite the morning

prayers, to a site in the Jewish Quarter where they read from a Torah scroll.

The poster went on to describe the rayer of Hannah (from Samuel I 1:13) as the prototype of all Jewish prayer, stressing that Harmah prayed silently. The poster exhorted other women to do likewise.

Jerusalem municipal councilwoman Anat Hoffman, an active member of the Women of the Wall, said she well remembers the prayer of Hannah - and she said she also remembers the reaction of the religious establishment to Hannah and her prayer at the time. The biblical account tells that Eli, the high priest, thought Hannah was drunk.

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Russia opposes NATO UN says Burundi army expansion, but agrees to talk killed 1,100 in 2 months

RUSSIA said vesterday that NATO expansion into central and eastern Europe is a bad idea, but that won't stop it from joining a dialogue with the Western alliance on building a new security relationship.

Russian Foreign Minister Yevgenv Primakov, after meeting his 16 NATO counterparts at alliance headquarters, said Moscow opposes NATO enlargement because it "will inevitably lead to a new division of Europe." US Secretary of State Warren Christopher

disagreed.

There is no need to have enlargement redivide Europe." he said.

NATO ministers agreed Tuesday to push ahead with expansion, setting a summit for next July in Madrid where the first new candidates will be invited to begin negotiations. NATO hopes the first new members will be welcomed to the fold in 1999, NATO's 50th

Eleven countries have expressed interest in joining, including most of Moscow's former allies in the defunct Warsaw Pact. Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic are considered to be frontrunners.

"We heard an offer from NATO to hold con-

sultations in order to settle any issues that might be of concern to us." Primakov told reporters.

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"I think this paves the way for very construc-tive negotiations," he said. "But at the same time I would like to underline that while agreeing to continue these consultations we continue to be against NATO enlargement. This is based on the firm belief that the enlargement of NATO will inevitably lead to a new division of

Christopher said Russia's decision to join in negotiating a new "charter" setting out exactly how the new relationship will work was "very

Those talks, to be led by NATO Secretary General Javier Solana, are expected to begin early next year.

"We are started down the road to a unified, integrated Europe," Christopher said. German Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel said Russia was the key to the future security of the

"It is absolutely clear that the stability of 'he European security architecture and its success depends decisively on the cooperation of the alliance with Russia," be said.

Solana said he hoped to complete the negoti-

"The important thing is to get a document that has not only principle but content and commitment on one part and the other," he

Primakov agreed, saying Russia wanted a document "which really contains very specific, very concrete provisions which deal with our

The Russian praised the secretary-general, with whom he said he had excellent relations, but remained unimpressed with NATO's declaration that it has no intention to install nuclear weapons on the territory of new members.

The secretary is a very nice man, but I wouldn't necessarily use those terms to describe the organization that he heads today," Primakov said with a smile.

"As for the deployment of NATO military infrastructure closer to our territory, we are not happy about that and we are looking for ways

The North Atlantic Cooperation Council, a grouping of the 16 NATO members and 22 other European nations, also met here to discuss NATO's future as part of regular consultations with nonmembers. Some of them are concerned about enlargement too, but for different

GENEVA (Reuter) - The UN issued evidence yesterday that Burundi's army had killed at least 1,100 people in two months, including hundreds of Hutu refugees, and urged the country's Tutsi leaders to stop the bloodshed.

"I appeal to the authorities and all parties to assure maximum respect for rights and fundamental freedoms to put an end to killings, arbitrary arrests, destruction of property," United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Jose Ayala Lasso said in a statement

based on its investigations and eyewitness testimony, said the killings by the army had taken place in October and November. The biggest was when troops massacred between 200 and 400 Hutu returnees and wounded 200 others.

The UN human rights office in Geneva, in reports

with bullets and grenades in a church in Murambi village in northwestern Cibitoke. Ayala Lasso also appealed urgently for funds to boost his cash-strapped office in the tiny central African country, where at least 150,000 people have

died in three years of ethnic war. "I am deeply disturbed by the deteriorating human ights situation in Burundi," he said.

The report by his office listed almost daily massacres of teachers, students, women and babies. Hutu rebels battling the army also killed scores of civilians,

It warned that an already alarming situation had been made worse by the mass influx of most than 50,000 Burundian Hutu refugees who fled an etimic

Tutsi rebellion in eastern Zaire. The UN human rights office said killings, disappearances and arbitrary arrests have risen sharply since the influx began.

It said civilians were bearing the brunt of increasingly explosive confrontations between troops and rebels, with Hum guerrillas using mortars and the army striking with planes.

The human rights situation in November could be described as alarming with massacres, arbitrary arrests, pillage and destruction of property perpetrated by the two sides," it said:

Diplomats report a big increase in killings by the army since it grabbed power in a military coup in

Minority Tutsis in Burundi are outnumbered four-to-one by Hutus. Extremist Tuesis say that for every Tutsi killed, 10 Hutus must be killed in

The army denies it is killing Hutus. The UN human rights office said it was not in a position to verify every single one of the massacres because it was too dangerous to travel to many parts of the mountainous country.

Unions join Serbian demos against Milosevic

BELGRADE (Reuter) - An organized group of workers joined street protests against Serban President Slobodan Milosevic yesterday for the first time since marches began 24 days ago, independent trade union leaders said.

Leaders of the association of independent trade unions said some 10,000 workers had been taking part in daily student and opposirion rallies after the annulment of opposition local election victories by Milosevic's ruling socialists.

We were also here before (as individuals) but for the first time today we are here in an organized way," association president Rade Radovanovic told Reuters. Thousands of workers marched

behind a trade union banner in a

show of unity that Radovanovic earlier said would shake Milosevic and his deputies. The West has supported demonstrations by up to 150,000 people a day in Belgrade but the mainly

to attract significant support from Independent unions claimed some of their 40,000 members in Belgrade had begun strike action

middle class protesters have failed

citing the alleged election fraud among their grievances along with

demands for pay.
"It is an old communist belief that when the workers come out against you, you are finished,"

Radovanovic said. The Zajedno (Together) coalition of opposition parties on Tuesday lost its last legal appeal against the outcome of the November 17 clections, when the Yugoslav federal supreme court refused to intervene

The US and Europe have become increasingly vocal in their condemnation of Milosevic's tactics, threatening unspecified measures if he uses force to put down the marches.

In an interview with the CBS television network, US Secretary of State Warren Christopher warned Milosevic that continuing his "repressive, undemocratic stance" would doom his dreams of ties to the West. "He really is turning his back on"

opportunities to join the West. which I know is important to him," Christopher said.

He added the US was considering reintroducing economic sanctions.



Prime Minister John Major looks at the new Downing Street Internet web site with schoolchildren in Uxbridge yesterday. The site, featuring an image of the famous front door and policeman, contains historical notes, tours around the state rooms and updates on legislation currently in passage through parliament.

Report: JFK's mistress Judith Exner aborted his child

NEW YORK (AP) - Judith Campbell Exner, a reputed mistress of President John F. Kennedy, says in January's issue of Vanity Fair magazine that she aborted his child 10 months before Kennedy was assassinated.

Exner, 62, was interviewed by syndicated columnist Liz Smith for the magazine, which was due on newsstands in New York yesterday. Excerpts appeared in New York newspapers yesterday.

Exner says she ended her two-year affair with Kennedy in 1963 because she hated being "the other woman." Exner said she then went to Chicago and discovered she was carrying his

Kennedy asked Exner if she wanted to have the baby, and then urged ber to have Chicago mob boss Sam Giancana arrange for an illegal abortion.

Exner has receipts for the January 1963 procedure performed at Grand Hospital, the magazine reported.

"I was 26 and in love," Exner says in the arti-"Was I supposed to have better sense and more judgment than the president of the United

Exner, who has advanced bone and breast cancer, said she disclosed her abortion because she wanted to "demystify" the Kennedy legend. She said she never mentioned the story about

the abortion in ber 1977 autobiography, My

Story, because "I was afraid for my life." Exner also said in the interview that she was Giancana's lover during Kennedy's presidency, and carried messages between the president and the gangster, including details of a plot to assassinate Cuban leader Fidel Castro.

She also said that former Attorney General Robert Kennedy, the president's brother, would often ask her at the White House if she felt 'comfortable" carrying messages to Giancana.

"Judy, are you OK carrying these messages for us to Chicago?" Exner quotes Robert Kennedy as saying. "I always said I'd let him know if I didn't."

French police release all the bombing suspects arrested Tuesday

PARIS (AP) - Police yesterday released the last of 14 people arrested in connection to a 1995 bombing wave and confirmed the roundup had no connection to last week's deadly snbway

Authorities overnight held two of those arrested by anti-terrorist police in Tuesday's raids in and around Paris, but let them go

Wednesday morning. No explanation for the release was given.

The arrests had "no direct connection with the investigation" into the Dec. 3 bombing of a crowded rush-hour train, which killed four people and wounded 86, police said on customary anonymity.

Authorities had said the arrests were linked to a continuing investigation of last year's bombings, which killed eight people and wounded 160 others.

No one has claimed responsibility for last week's attack. Investigators are said to be focusing on Algerian Islamic militants as the prime suspects.

Tourist photo may give FBI clue to Olympic blast

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ATLANTA (AP) - A man says he has given the FBI a photograph of someone wearing a military-style backpack similar to the one that carried a deadly bomb into Centennial Olympic Park last

Ted Miltiades was one of more than 1,000 people to call on the first day an FBI hotline opened, offering a \$500,000 reward for information leading to the bomber. "It's too early to telf what may come from those, but we're very optimistic," the FBI's deputy director, Weldon Kennedy, said Tuesday. "Some people have called in saying they have photographs or video tapes."

Militades, 35, of Atlanta said he

saw the FBI's news conference asking for photos of the backpack on television Monday. He also noticed the blast site in Centennial Olympic Park was near a brillia. hin-shaped Greek statue combinenorating the 100th anniversary belie modern Olympic games. He had photographed the statue about 61/2 hours before the July 27 bombing.

"When they showed it on the news, I knew I had been at Centennial Park and I knew I had been near that stame," he said yes-terday, "I just pulled (the photos) out and looked at them and I noticed the man with the back-

pack." He said he had wanted a picture of the statue "because I'm Greek." Miltiades said the picture showed a rear view of a white man of medium height and shoulder-length brown hair wearing khaki shorts, a i.=: "

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dark T-shirt and a baseball cap. The 18-kilo pipe-bomb killed a woman and injured more than 100 others during an early morning concert at the park. A cameraman rushing to the scene died of a heart

Miltiades said an FBI agent was at his door within minutes after he called the hotline. He said he gave the agent the photo. He didn't find the negative at the time, but found it later and planned to give it to the FBI yesterday.

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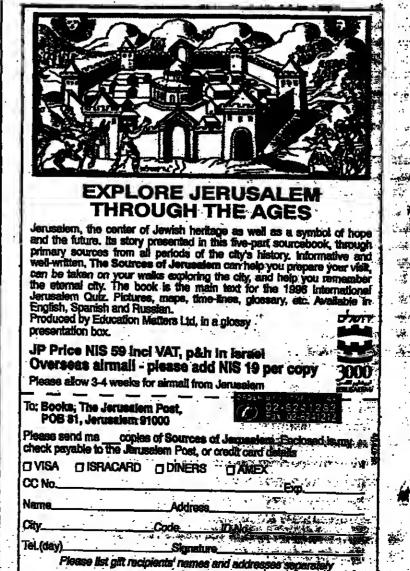
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Champagne makers plan for a bubbly millennium

HREE years before the New Year party of the cenare licking their lips at the prospect of huge demand for their special millennium bubbly at up to \$90 a glass.

For those who want to uncork the very best when the clock strikes midnight oo December 31, 1999, the sky is virtually the limit as French champagne houses prepare luxury offerings for as much as 12,500 francs (\$2,400) for a giant-sized bottle.

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But the bubbly inside is the same as that found in everyday bottles sold in oon-millennium years, industry officials admit...

"Every producer is going to come oot with a special natch for the millennium," said Guillaume Bruneau of the Champagne Wine Board, predicting "limited quantities at fabulous prices." Many plan futuristic-looking bottles and labels, in keeping with the theme of a leap into the 21st century, while others will sell old vintages and specially selected reserves.

Some will oo doubt simply roll out whatever has built up in their eellars over the years, to be sold off at inflated prices.

In any event, a serious case of millennium marketing fever has gripped the champagne district, some 150 km oortheast of Paris, which has prospered because its product has become the symbol of shared joy and celebration.

The fever can be glimpsed in a walk down a dimly lit tunnel carved hy the ultra-prestigious Louis Roederer firm out of the rock beneath the city of Reims. At the very end of the seem-

ingly endicss tunnel - actually a huge wine cellar - looms the "Caveau 2000," a sort of under-

ground hunker sheltering pre-cisely 2,000 "methoselahs" of Roederer's signature "Cristal" champagne from the 1990 vin-

Each oumbered methuselah, temporarily wrapped in a plastic film and laid on its side in one of 15 specially built racks, holds six liters of amber liquid, the equivalent of eight ordinary champagne bottles.

Each sells for \$2,000 including taxes and delivery. That's about \$37 for a oormal-size glass.

"It is going to be sublime," predicted Frederic Heidsieck-Verine, Roederer's export director. "It's a bit magical. It's a bit mad. I think it is going to be smashing."

Though identical wine will also be sold in ordinary Cristal bottles, "the difference is that ina six-liter bottle the wine As of January 10, 1996, for evolves more slowly and in a example. Roederer tasters were more uniform fashion," he said.

"The real question is, will peowith aromas of honey, flowers

ple drink it or simply keep it as a memento? Today I was with some people from Houston, Texas, who say they absolutely will drink it," he said.

Roederer began planning for the millennium in 1990, Heidsieck-Verine boasted, looking askance at word that rival Moet et Chandon will offer the 1993 vintage in the millennium edition of its top-of-the-line Dom Perignon brand.

"1993 is an important vintage. 1990 is an exceptional vintage," he boasts with a smile. "1993 was a very great year,"

snapped back Richard Geoffroy, a Dom Perignon executive. The Cuvee Dom Perignoo 1993 that he helped create is lim-

ited to 1,993 jeroboams, each the equivalent of four ordinary bot-It will sell for \$2,400 a bottle, or about \$90 a glass.

The main difference between

the special millennium offering

tional," said Bruncau of the Champagne Wine Board. "We don't say things like that every year," he said. "We have truly been hlessed by the gods. Maybe it had something to do

been discouraged by my pessimism regarding our ability, as consumers, to prevent ourselves from falling prey to the provision of shoddy services particularly those upon which we rely on just to make it through the day. The innumerable pitfalls I have encountered since moving last month to a new apartment make such pessimism rather

unavoidable. Nevertheless, just as I believe in exposing injustice whenever possible, I also adhere to the principle of giving credit where credit is due. I would thus like to dedicate this column to Arutzei Zahav (Golden Channels) - the cable TV company franchise to

Five such companies operate in Israel: Tevel, Matav, Gvanim, Idam, and Arutzei Zahav. Rather than being in competition with one another within each region, each covers its own area. Arutzei Zahav is the largest. It is owned by Aurec, Yediot Aharonot and Globes, and operates its broad-casting franchise in Jerusalem, much of greater Tel Aviv and a large chunk of the south. Caught, as I was, in the midst of

a war of wills between Bezeq and the contractor/owner of my building, I was phoneless, faxless and

Credit where credit's due

RUTHIE BLUM

HOSE of you who read last week's column may have urbeless for a good two-and-ahalf weeks after moving in. This created unbelievable difficulties where setting up a household/office was concerned. Worse than that, it made my children even more rambunctious than usual. And this is no small feat, let me tell you.

In my Jerusalem neighborhood, cable TV can only be transmitted in cooperation with Bezeq. Though Arutzei Zahav has established, and uses, its own infrastructure in some areas, in others, transmission networks are set up within the existing infrastructure built by the phone company.

Unfortunately, the existing Bezeq infrastructure had been destroyed when the old house on the plot was torn down to make way for the four-story apartment building in which I now reside. The charming contractor - my landlord - failed to mention this minor glitch to all parties concerned. This failure on his part created an unnecessary delay in both phone and cable installation.

But, whereas Bezeq waited for the contractor's electrician to complete his job of preparing the proper infrastructure within the bowels of the edifice before sending its own technicians to hook

the internal infrastructure up to that of its own, Arutzei Zahav took an active role in speeding

things up for its new clientele. During the last phase of this littic song-and-dance between various electricians, technicians, and their superiors, the cable company actually cut a few corners and a lot of red tape in order to come to my rescue.

Bezeg continued to stress that without steps A, B, and C being completed in the huilding, it "could not" install my phone. And, in the infrastructure hierarchy of things, until that time, no cable TV "could be" installed

The last "step" before having someone come and make a dial tone resound from the instrument receiver is when the phone com-pany gives the building a "Bezeq code." This is supposed to be the "thumbs up" sign. Mysteriously, even after the building was given this famous code, Bezeq still "couldn't" send a technician over to connect me to the rest of humanity. "Sorry, lady, not until the electrician informs us of the completion [sic] of his job." I was told for the mil-

lionth time. Arutzei Zahav, on the other

hand, sent two technicians over as soon as the Bezeq code was given. And, since the cahle technicians were all booked up on the fateful day, they came to my house after hours! In they marched - cheerfully, on less - at eight o'clock in the evening. They worked for four hours drilling, pulling wires, and even - gasp! - went beyond the call of duty to correct flaws in the electrician's wiring. They also played with my children, petred the dog.

and had a few laughs. Finally, they swept up the debris they had created, and exited with their garbage io tow, leaving me with a little more faith in humankiod, and reioforced

faith in privatization. Note: Each cahle socket you request costs extra, though each point after the third is free. It is illegal to lie about how many outlets you'll be using (since it is actually theft) - a common practice nowadays, when it is possi-ble, is to create your own central wiring. Having caught on to this trick, the cable companies protect themselves hy disconnecting all the TV sockets in a given house

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Shades of a glittering past

is an interesting quirk of fate that the opening in Tel Aviv of JB Jewelers' Fabergé exhibition coincided with the announcement by De Beers of its intention to search for diamonds near St. Petersburg. For it was in St. Petersberg that the famed

Fabergé workshop was headquartered.
Cari Fabergé, jeweler to the czars and
known as "the Workmaster," did not, in fact, create any of the superbly crafted items which bore the hallmark of his company, says Leah Popper, a local expert on decorative arts. But oot a single item left the workshop, she adds, without being inspected by Fabergé himself.

Fabergé is best known for the exquisite jeweled Easter eggs produced each year for the ezar and members of the imperial fami-



Fabergé egg created in 1992, on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the death

ly. Altogether, there were 57 such eggs, 47 of which have been traced, and of those 27 were acquired by the late Malcolm Forbes

who had one of the largest Fabergé collec-

tions in the world. At the dawn of the Russian Revolution, Fabergé fled to Switzerland, and two of his sons tried with only moderate success to revive their father's jewelry empire io Paris. It was not a lasting venture, because the opulence of the late 19th century and early 20th century had vanished. It took several years before the styles characteristic of that era resurfaced.

Unilever, the present owners of the Fabergé trademark, eagerly sooght to recreate the Fabergé tradition, but only in 1992 did they found a workmaster whose own standards were sufficiently high. The chosen firm Victor Mayer of Pforzheim, Germany, has been in evidence since 1890, and more than a critical accounts ago, was already interested in emulating Fabergé's style.

The house of Fabergé won great repute for its superb enamel work, and Victor Mayer has perfected many of the enameling techniques for which Faberge was famous. It has also developed a rich palette of colors, but has not yet reached Faberge's record of 145.

Marcus O. Mohr, a fourth-generation jeweler and descendant of Victor Mayer, noted this week that his company is today the only one in the world producing Fabergé jewelry, and stressed that the most important element in the collection is the French enameling which stems from the Byzantine period. "Fabergé adopted this technique and perfected it in Russia," he said, explaining that every color has its own specific temperature and one has to know which temperature to use. In addition there are several layers of color, each of which has to be burned in and polished hy hand. Gold inlays, or paillons as they are known in the trade, are applied on the penoltimate coat.

The effects of all this are particularly beautiful on rings and on miniature eggs which have been fashiooed into pendants, and retail for around \$1,700. Prices rise in accordance with the precious stones in the

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H. Stern's new collection offers tri-color rings and necklaces in yellow, white and

IN OTHER jewelry news this month, H. Stern's World Collection was introduced last week at a truly glitteriog affair at the Tel Aviv Hilton, the traditional venue for its annual show. Each item in the new collectioo features the oew H. Stern signature, a constellation of stars, which reflects the meaning of the company's oamc - Stern being star in German - and which also symbolizes its stellar vision. Of particular interest were tricolor rings and necklaces in yellow, white, and red gold, set with pink and white diamonds.

Tricolor gold rings are gaining in popularity and are promineotly displayed in jewelers' showcases all over the country. Wide bands are also gaining in prominence in both wedding rings and dress rings, with large stones dominating the latter.

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"We have already sold several

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Like the Roederer offering, the

In the meantime, boyers of

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Dom Perignon hottling is also

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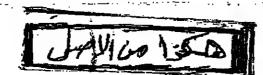
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No refuge for murderers

last night's deadly drive-by shonting near Beit El is an important first step in changing the norms of behavior after a terrorist attack. Until now. Palestinian terrorists have felt they can enter Israel, carry out their cowardly attacks opening fire on an innocent family driving bome can hardly be described as a daring military assault - and then return to the safety of an area controlled by the Palestinian Authority. Once inside Area A (the PA-controlled area of Judea and Samaria), the terrorists could feel certain no one would come searching too seriously

Israel has long demanded, to deaf ears, that the Palestinians fulfill their obligations under the Oslo Accords, which include, first and foremost, the disarming and neutralizing of terror cells in the territories. The late prime minister Yitzhak Rabin used to argue that PA leader Yasser Arafat, unhindered by a High Court of Justice, was best placed to fight against Hamas and other rejectionist groups; such as the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which is assumed to be responsible for last night's outrage.

The bus bombings of earlier this year proved

HAT the IDF exercised its right to enter Palestinian-controlled territory following Rabin wrong, at the cost of scores of innocent Israeli lives. It took serious pressure on Israel's part, including a prolonged closure of the territories, to persuade Arafat that he should move against the Islamic militants. The arrests he made were very much a case of too little, too late, and came amid reports of the PA easing its clampdown on potential terrorist groups.

Just as disappointing has been the PA's refusal to hand over to Israel for trial those terrorists whose whereabouts are known to both the Israeli and Palestinian security forces. This failure to extradite murderers has sent a strong signal to Palestinian terrorists that their actions have the tacit backing of the Palestinian leader-

While Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu failed to spell out in a statement last night what steps Israel would take should the PA once again fail to meet its commitments in the fight against terror, the fact that the IDF, in coordination with the Palestinians, entered Ramallah to examine the vehicle suspected of being used by the terrorists in the drive-hy shooting is a welcome development. The government has to ensure, however, that the search for the terrorists does not end with a cursory examination of a burned-out car.

Nothing to cheer about

TN Baghdad, Iraqi crowds danced in the streets to celebrate the partial lifting of LUnited Nations sanctions on the country's oil sales. There was something surreal about the appearance of Saddam Hassein and his cronies before the crowds, taking credit for this new "mother of all victories," while the crowds seemed oblivious to the fact that the dictator and warmonger responsible for their years of suffering was the very man they were cheering. The rest of the world would be wise to adopt a more cynical and cautious attitude - more like that of a wise old cop faced with the release of an incorrigible recidivist, than that of an eagerbeaver social worker gullibly assured that the old rogue has reformed.

"This is a victory for the poorest of the poor of Iraq, for the women and children," said the gullible Boutros Boutros-Ghali as he announced to his UN Security Council the details of the Iraqi oil-for-food deal. The chanting of this mantra of the "long-suffering Iraqi people" by various assorted do-gooders and appeasers for the past couple of years has been designed to make the bad old West feel guilty again for what it has done to Iraq. It is as if "the West" enjoys reports of the miserable lives of Iraq's poor under the crushing weight of one of the few UN sanctions operations that ever worked.

One would be hard pressed to find a decent person anywhere in the democracies who gloats over the lot of the Iraqi people - a once-proud nation with a glorious history and diverse culture. The pride ended the day the thuggish Saddam emerged from Tikrit village to enslave Iraq for almost 20 years and keep it pointlessly at war with its neighbors and the world.

There must be a suspicion that Saddam has long resisted the UN offer to allow him oil income to buy food and medical supplies for his people only because he had been unable to find a way to divert these revenues to his insatiable war machine. While Western liberals have

Iraq's poor innocents under sanctions, they have been less than vocal about the reconstructed palaces and hedonistic lifestyles of the repulsive Saddam regime. Now the same naive voices are raised in hope that the oil deal signals the end of all sanctions against Iraq.

In the face of such childish complacency, it is well the United States has thrown a damper on the enthusiasm. Washington reminded everyone that most of the sanctions remain solidly in place. It is to be hoped that the official American view is correct - that the oil sales are so hemmed in by restrictions that Saddard will not be able to abuse them - but a great deal of suspicion is called for. After all, this is the humanitarian leader who fooled those ever gullible Western soft-hearts for a long time by claiming that a biological warfare plant was merely a powdered milk factory. Nor should it be forgotten that the current oil concession to Baghdad was agreed upon in May, but its implementation was delayed by Saddam's own incomprehensible new military adventure - his incursion into the Kurdish North.

Now that petro-dollars are about to flow again into Saddam's coffers, there will no doubt be new stirrings among those eager to do business with him at any price, like France, Germany, and some British companies. No one begrudges the Iraqi people a little relief from their misery - if they get it - but neither should anyone be surprised if Saddam finds some way to divert the flood of dollars back to the mothballed mass-destruction industry.

Nor should the naive and the greedy apologists for Saddam profess amazement if the Middle East finds itself back where it started, blackmailed by a regime once again being bankrolled by the never-have-enoughs of European business.

Until Saddam is finally deposed, his Iraq will have no real relief from sanctions, Kuwait will have no real security, and the world will have no bemoaned the undoubtedly miserable plight of real guarantee of peace in the Gulf or the region.



Two-faced French

hat happened last week at a formal meeting in Lisbon, where European leaders had gathered to discuss security problems facing the West. Suddenly Jacques Chirac

noticed that be and Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu were separated by only a small table. The French president rose and, with exquisite French gallantry, moved the obstacle aside so he could engage Netanyahu in a friendly chat.

Onlookers were surprised. Was this the same Chirac who had wounded Israeli susceptibilities a month ago by refusing to address the Knesset during his visit here? Instead he honored Yasser Arafat's so-called parliament in Ramallah and was treated to a gala banquet in Gaza, where Arafat spent the evening fawning on his honored guest whom he insisted, without demur from the Frenchman, on addressing as

Professor Chirac.' As a final slap in Israel's face. during a-tour of Jerusalem's Old City the French president snaded at the Israeli VIP security chief wbo was just doing his job protecting Chirac. He then virtually threw the man out of the church he was visiting.
He also tried to exclude the

security chief from a tour of the Temple Mount because he had a clear message to deliver. This is

Following the gracious chat Chirac bestowed on Netanyahu in Lisbon a French official "briefed" French journalists on the talk between the two men.

Chirac had been tough, he said, and laid down the law. (Untrue, a writer of this column was told on the highest authority.] Chirac, the official continued, had demanded that Israel fulfill all its agreements with the Palestinians; withdraw forthwith from Hebron; allow Arabs free use of Hebron's Shuhadeh market street and hand the Golan Heights back to Syria. [Chirac made no such demands of Netanyahu during their talk.]

Netanyahu, the official concluded, bad been warned that if all this was not done, "there will he many terrorist attacks, and the danger of war will accelerate." [No such warning was given.]

There seems to be a two-faced French concept of diplomacy, one in which politeness and exquisite manners is closely followed by a verbal stab in the back. And it wasn't invented by Chirac, who has, however, refined it into an art. No one knows this better than Ahba Eban.

When Eban was Israeli foreign

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minister prior to the Six Day War war, he visited French foreign minister Couve de Murville in Paris amid much pomp and ceremony. As he left the suave Frenchman even helped the struggling Eban into his coat.

Eban told a writer of this column that be was deeply flattered

Chirac's terrorist chickens came home to roost last week

by this display of French charm at full force.

He was, however, flabbergasted bours later when the Parisian papers reported that de Murville had protested angrily over the way Israel (then without the West Bank) had carried out reprisals against Arab terrorists for acts. against Israeli citizens.

In short, French statesmen may shift a table so they can chat with you, or help you on with your coat to charm you - but pro-Arab France remains pro-Arab France.

A DAY after bemusing Netanyahu with his two-faced act the haughty reverberations of a mighty terrorist explosion at the underground Port Royal station, not far from St. Michel, where another such atrocity took place 15 months ago.

It seemed ironic, to put it mildly: The Islamie terror act Chirac had predicted for Israel had apparently taken place in his own back

An outraged Chirac wasted no time in denouncing the "barbaric terrorist attack." And within days he had lashed out at his European partners - Germany, Britain, Italy for "buying off" Islamic terrorists, thus letting them focus their attention on France.

This accusation raised a bitter smile among European intelligence agencies. For it was France that initiated the policy of appeasing terrorists on the French mainland in the '70s and '80s by mollycoddling them gently in Paris so long as they didn't

operate there. It was again the French who appeased Ayatollah Khomeini by sheltering him in Paris as he preached revolt in Teheran. They hoped Khomeini would be grateful enough to make special oil deals with France, which would

become Iran's main partner. It was a fatal error of judgment like virtually all other incidents of

French Mideast diplomatic wheeling and dealing. Why is there terrorism in France today? The French allowed millions of North Africans to emi-

grate to France to provide cheap labor. Its diplomats never grasped the reality: France may have left Algeria, but Algeria hasn't left The fearsome uprising by funda-

mentalists in North Africa against the French-backed government in Algeria has spilled over with a vengeance in Paris and all the other cities where Moslems are now a powerful minority.

Smelling appeasement in the air after listening to Chirac trying to

bully Israel into giving in to Arafat, Assad et al, the Algerian fundamentalists ordered their squads in France to strike - hard. That is the Arab world's response to weakness: to draw a

knife and slit throats. Blind to French folly vis-a-vis North Africa, Chirac is now urging Israel to follow: the same deranged appeasement policy on the West Bank. "Withdraw from the occupied territories. Withdraw from the Golan, Terrorism will cease. Peace will reign."

Not even the Mediterranean could stand between France and the terrorist plague spreading

How much worse the situation when there is no sea but a far more dangerous land border; if a Palestinian state should arise on the outskirts of Jerusalem, and Gaza, close to Tel Aviv and other Jewish coastal towns.

Israel has no metro, but it does have buses, lots of them. Why does Chirac or anyone else

persist in believing that if you give terrorists what they want they will peacefully embrace you hence-forth? Even "liberal" leftist Jews in France, parroting official policy in Paris, urge their coreligionists in Jerusalem to leave the West Bank, Hebron etc., and peace will follow.

The terrorist bomb at Port Royal is just one more proof of the fatal flaw in this kind of thinking.

The surrender of Hebron could only confirm the old adage: "You can bribe the Viking raiders, but they will be encouraged to raid your shores again on the next high

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Street wisdom

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LARRY DERFNER

NYONE who wants to grasp the killjoy mentality of Israeli conservatives should visit Sheinkin Street in the heart of Tel Aviv.

To the pious and piously patriotic Sheinkin is the symbol of everything that's bad about this country. Just mentioning the name is enough to get their blood

Sheinkin is hedonism, rootless cosmopolitanism, draft-dodging, sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll - the sinister enemy of good Jewish

I live five blocks from Sheinkin, and find myself walking it a few times a week.

Out of snobbery, I used to put it down. Sheinkin was commercialized bohemia, a tourist attraction. There were too many style-mongers, too many people wearing disdainfully hip expressions.

Then a few months ago, I was drinking coffee at the Wooden Horse sidewalk cafe toward sundown, and I realized I felt happy. There was a tingle in the atmos-

The street was crowded, and I don't like crowds, and I don't like demonstratively cool people; but this, I had to admit, was great.

After a few moments it struck me that this was a street elogged with Israelis, where everybody was talking but nobody was yelling. There was no aggression in the air, nothing to grate on the

How many other places in Israel are so populous and lively and at the same time so civilized? Maybe Ben Yehuda Mail in Jerusalem - hut I would say Sheinkin is every bit as animated,

Gradually I realized that Sheinkin is a model of what a hustling urban thoroughfare should be. It has everything.

Hippies and trendies are not the only people here. The heart of

Sheinkin is a model of what a bustling urban thoroughfare should be

Sheinkin is a block-long park with swings, rides and sandboxes, and it is always filled with kids. There's a roving band of local nannies, grandmothers most of them, who bring their charges to play here everyday.

Yes, there are many restaurantpubs that sell... liquor! But given price of drinks anyone wou have to be stupid to try to get drunk, so they don't. Tipsy, at

I found two places that could legitimately offend religious sensibilities: Women's Only, with its Barbie and Ken dolls fornicating in the window display and its vibrators sold inside; and Jovino Dragon Tattooing and Body

Picreing. That's all the raciness Sheinkin offers. The rest is a rare mix of old and new, exotic and mundage. The Third Ear video and music store, with its French New Wave movie section and collector's jazz

records, stands next to the Barzilai Orthopedic Workshop with its prosthetic legs. Fashion boutiques have names like Le Chic Parisienne, Big Tom's Streetwear and ZaZa, but then there's Yehuda Levy's tailor

shop, with myopic Yehuda Levy, here for 54 years, bending over his sewing machine. MANY haredim live on the side streets off Sheinkin. They pass

alongside the girls in their tight paisley bell-bottoms and no one bothers anybody. Old, Ashkenazi Tel Aviv still has a considerable presence on

the street. There's ltzik's Sandwiches and Itzik's Gift Shop; Rosenberg and Federbusch Printing Press and two Ashkenazi eateries, Diamand's and Feller's. the latter cattycorner from Thai Food Noodles Bar.

What bothers conservatives about Sheinkin? That the young people here are left-wing? They are - in their minds. But they don't do anything, which is a shame.

I counted four political banners on the huildings - all Likud, The street's one permanent banner hangs from the Habad Center. Overlooking the park, it reads. Prepare for the coming of the Messiah,

I think what riles our values arbiters most about Sheinkin is that, to their eyes, it's so... weird. Daring. International. It says that not everything in Israel has to be so damned wholesome.

I'm proud of Sheinkin. It's a world-class city street. I'd put it up there with the kibbutz, the Jaffa orange and drip irrigation on the list of great things Israel has given humanity - and to hell with what anybody says.

The writer is a journalist living

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THOMAS FRIEDMAN

Sir, - As a regular reader of, and occasional contributor to the Eye on the Media column for as long as it was in existence, I was surprised (to put it mildly) to find that the ADL should have chosen Thomas Friedman to speak at one of its functions ("Anti-Defamation League defamed?", December 6). were exposed.

Friedman may have been awarded the Pulitzer Prize twice and be regarded as one of journalism's great celebrities, but this cannot change the fact that, for years, he has been a vicious and relentless critic of Israel.

Although Friedman claims that his support for the Palestinian cause was brought about by disenchantment with Israel following his experience in Lebanon in 1982, he already expressed sympathy with

Sit, - I would like to enlighten your readers about the probable truth behind the facts reported in Judy Siegel's article of November 29, 'Haredi TV watchers hiding in computer closet." The vast majority of haredim have no interest in television, and certainly do not desire to defy their rabbis in this matter. Ms. Siegel mentions that the TV card can also be used to play videos. Anyone who attends haredi simhas will have noticed the growing popularity of home video cameras. We know quite a few haredim who acquired the card in order to watch family videos of weddings. the PLO when he graduated from

Brandeis University in 1975. At that time, he identified with "Breira," the single organization so critical of Israel that it was ostracized by the American Jewish community and disappeared when the anti-Israel credentials of most of its leaders

In 1991, Friedman argued that the PLO was a liberation movement, that the intifada was a form of non-violent protest and that Jewish settlement (in Judea, Samaria and Gaza) were as harmful as had been Palestinian support for Saddam Hussein.

Those who still regard Friedman as even a remotely objective analyst, ought to have changed their minds back in 1985 when, after the Shi'ite hijacking of a TWA airliner, he fiercely attacked Israel for not

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bar mitzvas and the like. It might be a useful technological exercise to design a chip which will allow the VCR connection while blocking TV reception till the user pays the license fee. I expect there would be no significant increase in registration from the haredi sector. AKIVA AND GILA ATWOOD

Jndy Siegel comments: According to my sources, only a minority of the TV cards purchased by haredim in Jerusalem contain video capability; these are much more expensive, costing either.

releasing the 700 or so terrorists whose freedom the hijackers had demanded. Israel's refusal, he claimed, contributed to the hijacking as certainly as a victim's body contobutes to rape or murder. In his book, he described Israel as

"Yad Vashem with an air force." I cannot help feeling that, instead of attacking those who, rightly, object to Priedman being given a platform by a Zionist organization, Mr. Foxman ought to explain how an organization named the Anti-Defamation League came to associate itself with someone who, for the last 20 years, seems to have carried the defamation of Israel at the top of his agenda

RUTH WILLERS

Wembley Park, Middx.

twice as much as ordinary TV cards. As for use of video among haredim, there are many haredi rabbis who denounce the use of videos, even for recording family events, for fear that the machine will be used to watch "forbidden" films. Hamodia, the Agudat Yisrael daily, regularly contains such warnings by rabbis, and does not publish advertisements for video cassette recorders. The paper even published a series of articles this year calling on haredim to alter their radio-tape recorders so that they couldn't listen to radio



A Marilyn Monroe look-alike displays a photo of Marilyn Monroe as it was auctioned recently at Sotheby's in London. The photo sold for 402 pounds sterling in an auction of Rock 'n' Roll and

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My son is making the same mistakes I made

RUTHIE BLUM



EAR Ruthie, hod the same girlfriend since he wos in the ninth grode. Just obout to complete his miliiory service, he onnounced that he is getting

engaged to her.

I have nothing ogoinst this girl specifically - though ! admit.! con't say I have onything particularly positive to soy about her cither. What concerns me is that nty son hos never been with anyone else. Hoving myself made the mistoke of nuarrying too young, and subsequently getting divorced when my son was 10, I feel it is my dury as a responsible mather to try and prevent my son from moking the some mistoke.

The problem is that I have mentioned this to him before, but he always shrugs it off os one of my interferences. Now that he is octually getting engaged. I don't know how to hove o similar conversotion without him thinking that I just want to rain on his parade. How con I go obout doing it, and gening niv message ocross? Morosc Mom over Son's Morrioge

Somewhere in Israel Dear Morose Morn,

It is virtually impossible to pass on to someone else the wisdom gained by living through life's experiences. Though it certainly can't hurt to share these experiences with our children, it usually has so little meaning to them that it is irrelevant whether we do so. Ironically, the point at which they would actually be able to bear what it is we are trying to communicate is the point at which they have already made a few mistakes of their own. In other words - too late to spare them from having to learn certain lessons the hard way.

Your own early entry into matrimony probably could not have been prevented by parental intervention, any more than your son's can now.

This does not mean that you need embrace what he is doing with open arms, however. There is no reason for you not to sit him down and discuss your fears about his imminent engagement, as they relate to your own experience. Just don't harbor

'F I had not gone down from the

Techniomin Haifa to buy a sup-

too many high hopes for this to have the effect you desire.

Regarding your son's attachment to the same girl since the ninth grade: For all you know, the fact that you divorced when your son was 10 years old has something to do with his "latching on" to a single relationship - one on which he can count for stability - and looking no further. It may also help to explain why be is rushing to get engaged just as he finishes the army. It could be that his fantasy is to create a family as soon as possible, so as to make up for what he felt was a broken home. Though the act of marriage neither guarantees stability nor fulfills fantasies, your son does not know this yet.

Dear Ruthie.

I have o good friend, whose son used to be close friends with my son. A few months ogo. my friend's son had o birthday party, and didn't invite my son - who was very hurt by this. I was pretty hurt that my friend allowed her son not to invite mine, as well. When I osked her about it, she said thot she doesn't feel she has the right to interfere in the social life of an 11-year-old.

Now I am in a dilemma. Sitting down to invite parents and kids to my house for Hanukka candle-lighting, I realized that my son would be upset if I invited this friend with her son. But, since she and I are still good friends. I don't know what to do. Maybe you can help.

Ruminating obout Illuminosing

Dear Ruminating, If your friend believes that her son's choices with regard to his social life must be respected, she must then accept your son's right to select guests invited to his home as well. If this means having to come out and tell her why she is not invited - or that she is invited without her son - so be it. But, the

problem here is not so much wbether your friend will understand, but more in your own besitation. Once you are at peace with respecting your son's wishes in this case, the dilemma will vanish.

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Requiem for a typographer

MEIR RONNEN

ENRI Friedlaender, cofounder and first director of the Hadassah Printing School, who died in Motza Illir last month aged 92, would have been pleased to know that all the street signs now going up in the new Jerusalem Kirva area are in the Hebrew typeface he designed and perfected while hiding from the Nazis in Holland.

The doven of Israel's typographers and book designers, and a Gutenberg Prize laureate (1971), Friedlaender began working on his famous Hadassah type in Germany at the age of 26, despite the fact that he did not know Hebrew at the time and lacked a traditional Jewish background.

The complete Hadassah foni was first cut and cast for hand composition in 1958, later being adapted for Intertype composing machines, 1: eventually became available on photographic discs and then computer tapes. In the early days, Hadassah, the first truly modern Hebrew type, was also cut in wood for use in large headlines. Friedlaender, who was born in

Lyon, France, in 1904 and taken to Germany as a child, received his printing education at the Leipzig Academy of Graphic Arts. He worked as both compositor and designer for various German printing houses before moving to Holland in 1932. In 1939 be married German-born Maria Bruhn and was



Henri Friedlaender and his famous Hadassah bebrew font.

active as a designer for Dutch publications until the Nazis invaded the Netherlands, Maria, born the same year as Henri, died two years ago. When the Nazis ordered all Jews

in Holland to assembly points, Friedlaender told Maria that he was going to report in order to avoid get-ung her into trouble. She wouldn't hear of it and insisted on biding him old Dutch printing firm, where they

in an anic. Friedlaender spent the next 1,018 days in the attic while his wife risked her life to bring him food and transfer his projects to his

were published under a pseudonynt. While in hiding Friedlaender spent much of his time studying Hebrew, Judaism and the Bible. One Hanukka he drilled holes mio a steel frame of the sort once used to "lock up" formes of hot-east type to serve as a hanukkiya. It appeared innocuous enough not to attract the attention of snooping Nazis.

Heart and Maria came here in 1950, settling in a tiny Jewish Agency house in Motza Illit, after Henri was invited by Hadassah's Brandeis Center to head the Hadassah Apprentice School of Printing, where he remained direcfor until 1970. After that, although formally retired, he continued to teach at the Bezalel and the Kiryat Noar Printing School.

The Guienberg Prize awarded by the city of Mainz confirmed Friedlaender's international reputation. He was invited to design several Hebrew forms, like Aviv and Hadar, for IBM systems. He also designed new alphabet ball neads for IBM electric typewriters, in both Hebrew and English.

Friedlaender telt every letter and its relationship to all its possible neighbors to be both a practical and aesthetic combination of balance, shape, proportion, density and flow of negative as well as positive shapes, leading the eye effortlessly along a line of type. Employing just a pen, ruler and slide rule, this quiet, countly man left us a remarkable

Alaska's the place for king-size crops

OHN Evans is one serious gardener, Five years ago he moved to Alaska, but not for any of the usual reasons - the snow-topped mountains, the abondant wildlife or the kilometers of wilderness,

Instead, he came north dreaming of what big things he and 20 hours of datly sun could create in a half-acre (0.2-hectare) gar-

Evans lives to cultivate vegetables of unusual size. Like a 32-kilogram Swiss chard, a 20-kg, red cabbage and a 35-kg. bunch of broccoli - all world records. "It's always been a bit of an obsession."

Plenty of Alaskans share his passion in a land where summer is brief but intense, as a visitor to the Alaska State Fair soon learns. Walking around the fair's veggie display is like cruising a roadside farm stand, except that the produce looks like it was grown on steroids.

There are stalks of rhubarb like vaulting poles; broccoli tall and broad enough to shade a family picnic, and beets bigger than baskethalls.

their crops mostly for fun, though there is some profit out there for those growing the unofficial state vegetable - green cabbage.

Since 1941, the cabbage showdown based strictly on size - has been held annually at the state fair in Palmer, a town 60 km, north of Anchorage that was founded some 60 years ago as a New Deal agriculture project.

The first winning cabbage weighed in at 10.4 kg. The current record is 44.4 kg., set in 1990 by Lesley Dinkel, a member of the family that has dominated the contest for years. The world record stands at 56.2 kg.

In past years, the biggest Alaska cabbages earned \$50 and momentary statewide fame for its grower. This year things got more interesting when the purse was boosted to \$4,000. Half went to the winner, who was, of course, a Dinkel.

Gene S. Dinkel grabbed the big prize with a sprawling leafy head that tipped the scales at 41 kg. Second place, worth \$1,000, went to his uncle; Gene A. Dinkel, at 37 kg.

The megacabbage exhibit was one of the fair's biggest attractions. After waiting in a ne, devotees ganed and gaspe

grabbed snapshots of the elite entrants. "That's a lot of coleslaw," said one impressed visitor.

Just what it takes to grow a monumental

cabbage is open to debate. Gene A. Oinkel, patriarch of the clan and perennial winner, insists that it's not much more than digging a hole in the ground. throwing in some seeds and letting the sun do its thing. So far as care and feeding goes, he

offers up little but the most basic guidance. "While they're growing, you don't touch them," he said. "If you squeeze them, you break the ribs and they split." Split cabbages are ineligible for the fair.

Dinkel said members of his family are gardening hobbyists, while Evans - who holds 20 Alaska size records but shuns cabbage as being too popular - approaches the

field as a self-proclaimed "nutty professor." He does extensive botanical research and experimentation and mentions such concepts as biocatalysts and hormone treatments. He works to fine-tune his plants to stand up to disease and excessive sun. He would like to start his own seed company

Rocco Moschetti, a federal farm agent in Palmer, said vegetables in Alaska are in general slightly bigger than produce in the rest of America because of the longer summer days. But not all vegetables are monster

The competitive gardeners have their techniques, Moschetti said. They use special seeds, start their plants indoors during the early spring, and feed and fertilize them intensely.

It's also necessary to protect their giant vegetables, "Lots of people have lost their prize caboages to moose that find their way into the yard to have a meal," he said. A few weeks ago Evans held an open house at his garden in Palmer, and the

tourists thronged. "It was like a rock concert," he said, "The

ladies were screaming when they saw the giant vegetables still on the vine."

Dinkel said he's often gotten a similar response of amazement from people who don't see king-size crops every day.
"You can talk ahout it all you want."

Dinkel said, "but until they see it, they don't

about the truth.

Our philosopher king

E.F. Barasch remembers US student leader Mario Savio

Lord for my running shoe in Kiryat Eliezer, 1 might not have picked up The Jerusolem Post and read that the greatest student leader in American history, Mario Savio, had died in Sebastopol. California. In the same newspaper, Mary Levy, the coach of the Buffalo Bills, was interviewed regarding the Bills' excellent performance this year in the NFL. In 1963, Levy was head coach of

the University of California "Golden Bears," who were des-tined for a 4-5-1 record. I was a new and very uptight freshman at Berkeley. And Mario Savio was a junior transfer student from one of the City College campuses in New

Mario and I lived in the same motel-like private housing com-plex in Berkeley, right across from Tolman Hall.

Mario had been a physics major back in New York with a 3.8 GPA and he didn't know what he wanted to do at Berkeley. Coming to the West Coast was a restless move on his part. He was seeking a better life.

I was part of a very interesting generation of students who hit the universities in the US at this time. We were the post-Sputnik generation. There was a general panic in American education - the Russians beat us into space in 1957 because US colleges had not taught us enough science or promoted "excellence."

So, we were sorred, filed and stuffed into accelerated classes. This was the time tracking was invented and Advanced Placement classes walk into Berkeley and just glide. were instituted in high schools. Mario could do that, along with We worked very bard in high the others from Stuyvesant and school in those days and an "A"

grade was not easy to come by. Ten percent of my graduating class of 300 went to the University of Chicago, and the rest of us pop-ulated the best schools in the country. Except for the Boston schools, that is - we were too nerdy and too Jewish for Harvard. In fact, the word was out that Harvard thought that nerd equals Jew. We knew that unless we were really good at basketball or were Protestant, South Shore students had no chance at Harvard.

Berkeley got three of us guys from South Shore in 1963. The service academies got a couple of us, too. We worked our butts off to get to where we were and when I got to Berkeley, I found that the guys from the other Midwest and East Coast high schools had worked either as hard or even harder.

The Californians from smalltown high schools had no chance. They were flunked out in their own minds in the first month. Berkeley was a major school for big-city students or hard heads from places like the prep schools in Hong Kong.

Mario already had a 3.8 average in physics in a New York college when physics was the king of academia and New York was one of its major centers where you could

Bronx Science and the tough DC schools and big city schools. They the Coliseum. got "A"s in physics, math, and any-thing else you might think of and Mario had the maturity and the

the other sex, civil rights and philosophy. And Mario was our King Philosopher. Same-sex sex and drugs were to come later. The "out-of-state" students who were to become the notorious leaders of all-which-wasto-come at Berkeley were the leaders because they could afford the time. They had come so prepared and had been pushed so hard io high school that they could be

excellent students and still have the

time to sit around and ask impor-

still had time for Marvel Comics.

tant questions - like. "Guys, what the hell are we doing and why? Mario and a lot of the Berkeleyans were in the South on voting-rights drives, being chased by local citizens and local police in 1964, just a few months after John

F. Kennedy was killed. My first conversation with anyone at Berkeley was with Mario, who had come to Berkeley to get out of the East's atmosphere of career-at-any-cost. The famous saying which came out of Berkelev just a year or two later: "Don't trust anyone over 30!" really meant don't trust anyone over 20. We

found that the people just a year or two ahead of us totally were bought off by the system: careerists who sniffed at reformers like Romans at

accomplishment of an upper-classman, but he had the searching soul of an overworked and disillusioned freshman. What did Mario and I talk about on the tarmac on Hearst? Why, of course, the Hassidim in, New York, and how we both admired their family values and committed way of life and intense bumanity."I'm jealous of those people [the Hassidim]," Mario said. It was the first time in my life that a non-Jew had ever told me that there was something so admirable about Jews that one could be "jealous" of.Mario became more and more serious

His first roommate was a rightwing Goldwater supporter who thought that Kennedy's assassination was a bad way to get rid of a bad president. Mario got along with bim fine. Mario's second roommate that year was a nuclear engineering studens who spent his entire time by his desk in impeccably clean white T-shirts, designing nuclear reactors. He told me that he was concerned about Mario, since he would stay up all night worrying about the human race.

about his questioning of life.

One day, Mario asked me: "What

should I do with my life? What should I study at this university?" The king asking the peasant

Hisinquisitions seemed nothing more to me than Diogenes himself, looking for the very truth in the eyes of Berkeley undergrads. He was dead serious about it. Sometimes when I saw Mario walking down the street I said to myself this is what a true, charismatic leader looks like. His very passion lights his face. He looked like a very sane and sweeter version of Van Gogh.

I couldn't handle Berkeley and left. I visited in the very beginning of the fall term of 1964 and most of the political types had taken a house on College Avenue. That house became "Free-Speech Movement Ceotral." The house was torn down soon after - some say that was so it wouldn't become a shrine, I saw Mario and he was a changed man. Gone was the philosopher. He had spent the summer in the Mississippi Delta helping to register black voters, very much to the displeasure of the local whites.He had lost weight and he looked grim, I knew there was something brewing at Berkeley but

there wasn't much talk about it. A few weeks later, there was a big confrontation between the police and students. My mother was ironing laundry in front of the TV and I said to her "Mom, I don't know what's going on, but my friend Mario's involved in it somehow."

Then the TV showed Mario standing on a cop car without shoes, haranguing the hundreds of students who had prevented the policeman from taking away a student he had arrested for exercising his constitutional right of free speech and assembly. The University of California, in its wisdom had decided to banish "poli-

ucs" from the campus. And the Berkeley students, led by Mario Savio, fought them and won. "Mario Savio" became a phrase of derision in California.

He was vilified up and down the state. If the Vietnam escalation and a less anti-intellectual president had not followed the Kennedy assassination, I believe Mario would have settled down and become a nettlesome and revered left-wing professor. Mario was never about personality. He was

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Turbowicz resigns

DR. Yoram Turbowicz, the 38year-old head of the Trade and Industry Ministry's Antitrust Authority, resigned yesterday after five years in the post.

Turbowicz said it is time to move on, either to private industry or to a law firm. He will be replaced by Dr. David Tadmor.

Currently a partner in Tel Aviv law firm Levy-Tadmor, Tadmor is a member of the Business Restrictions Court and an external lecturer at Tel Aviv University. He will take up his new post in February, subject to government

Turbowicz gave notice of his intention to leave to Industry and Trade Minister Natan Sharansky soon after Sharansky took over the

Turbowicz's name has been linked with the attorney-general's

AT&T: Internet usage hurts our long-distance business

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - ATand-T Corp. chairman and chief executive Robert Alleo has acknowledged the company eventually needs to take measures to stem the potential loss of customers who use the Internet to save on phone hills.

Digital technology now enables computer users to make telephone calls - computer to computer - via Internet access lines that circumvent traditional long-distance phone service.

Only a small oumber of companies and computer enthusiasts now use the Internet for exchanging voice data. Voice clarity often lags that of ordinary phone calls, and reaching someone is more complicated. But the concept is taking off as the technology

In bypassing long distance carriers, these callers typically pay a flat rate to Internet access providers, now running about \$20 a month for unlimited online use.

That isn't a hig threat to AT-and-T's business because many people do not yet have the capability to make phone calls through their computer lines, Allen said on

But the development could one day represent a problem for ATand-T. Some observers say voice video communications through a computer network may eventually prompt a company to cousider eliminating their phone

"While I don't lose a lot of sleep over people who are cutting into our business charges by using the Internet for business services today, it's something that we should he more rigorous about in the future," Allen said during a luncheon speech to the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco.

He added that the company is hedging against losses in that area by offering one-price packages, rolling into one fee such services as Internet access, wireless communications and pagers as well as long distance service.

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position recently vacated hy Michael Ben-Yair. He refused yesterday to comment on the suggestion that he might like the joh or that he has been approached as a possible candidate.

A source in the Industry and Trade Ministry said Turbowicz is too young to take such a top posi-

"He is still too inexperienced," the source said.

Ben-Yair's replacement will be appointed by Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and Justice Minister Tzahi Haneghi. "No decision has been taken so far," said Netanyahu's spokesman Shai Bazak. "We are not reacting to any speculation."

The Justice Ministry also refused to discuss the appointment of a replacement before it is rati-

THE Treasury and the Justice Ministry would support legislation

to force gas companies to break

their long-term contracts with sup-

pliers, hut the National Infrastructure Ministry opposes

such a move, a Treasury official

told the Knesset Economics

Acting committee chairman

Avraham Poraz (Meretz) said the

committee will decide in the next

few days whether to pass such leg-

islation. Poraz said it was "very

surprising" that hearings on the gas contracts in the special Business

Restrictions Court have gone on

for three years with no end in sight.

This inability of the court to deal

with the issue might indicate a

Ronen Hadash of the Treasury's

budget division said the Treasury

would not object to new legisla-

tion or to continuing work on a bill

by Knesset speaker Dan Tichon

need for legislation, he said.

Committee yesterday.

French Danone to buy 20% of Strauss

FRENCH dairy giant Danone has signed an agreement in principal to acquire 20 percent of Strauss Dairies, Michael Strauss, chief executive of the Nahariya-based company said yesterday.

Strauss refused to comment on reports the deal was struck for \$56 million, based on a company valuation of \$280m. He would say only that a final agreement will be signed early next month in Israel in the presence of Danone President Franck Ribot.

We had hoped to sign the agreement this week or oext week, but Danone's president will only be in Israel at the start of January,"

Thousands of civil servants hold umbrellas and banners as they march through central Madrid

yesterday, during a public-sector strike. Spain's conservative government said only 15 percent of workers heeded the call to strike against a public-sector wage freeze. The giant General Workers' Union said 89.5% of workers came out on strike.

(Remer)

Infrastructure Ministry,

Treasury at odds over

break up of gas contracts

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Ministry said her ministry would

support legislation, since the case

in the Business Restrictions Court

was going nowhere. Poraz asked

However, Ze'ev Afik, legal

advisor at the Infrastructure

Ministry, said there have already

been 15 draft laws in the past four

years and none were enacted

because of the difficulty of classi-

fying various gas stations.
"We think it is necessary to cre-

ate a competitive environment in

this market, but we do not intend

to submit a bill on the subject and

we cannot cope with 100 different

versions for every two or three sta-

Three gas companies opposed

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tions," Afik said.

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

According to the agreement, Danone will purchase 20% of Strauss's dairy activities and help the company get into the babyfood field.

Danone, which ranks among the world's leading food companies, produces dairy goods, cookies, crackers, beer and water. The company's annual turnover last ear was about \$16 billion, with French sales accounting for less

than half of overall revenue. Strauss Dairies, the 60-year-old, privately held company that is Touva's only serious competitor

Many contracts have already

been released," said attorney Ram

Swan of Sonol, "At Sonol, most of

the contracts are short-term. If he

wishes, a gas-station owner can

lower his prices and the company

will share in [the cost of] the dis-

Attorney Ya'acov Friedgott of

Delek said the dozens of contracts

that have been broken so far have

not resulted in any benefit to the consumer. Instead, they have put

"hundreds of thousands of dollars"

into the hands of the station own-

ers, who can now negotiate with

equal opportunities to check prices

and decide where to buy, there is no

real competition, so there's no rea-

son to lower prices," said Yair

Rosenkrantz, chairman of the

Association of Gas-Station Owners.

chairman of gas company Dor Energy, said those contracts that

have been released saved the pub-

Antitrust Authority director-gen-eral Yoram Turbowicz said if

Delek would join a compromise agreement that Paz and Sonol

already signed, another 120 gas

stations would be released from

lic NIS 700 million a year.

their long-term contracts.

However, Shmuel Dankner,

Today, when stations do not have

the gas companies, he said.

in the Israeli dairy market, expects its new partner to provide it with extensive expertise in yogurts, as well as baby food. Strauss also will import French-made Danone products.

Strauss's dairy division currentmakes up the core husiness of the Strauss Group. Following the sale, the parent company will consist mainly of its ice-cream firm, in which Unilever has a 50% partnership, and the salad

The transaction was first discussed one and a half years ago, after Strauss signed an exclusive agreement to represent Danone products in the Middle East.

Bank fees to rise next month

bankers said yesterday.

Most hanks have not raised

Bank Leumi announced that the bank will implement a differential policy in 1997, which will include adjustment of some of the commissions in line with the rise in the Consumer Price Index this year. "Some of the commissions will be reduced, some will remain unchanged and some, mainly to commercial clients, will be cancelled." said Bank Lenmi.

In practice, most of Bank Leumi's fees have not been adjusted since July 1995, implying that they have decreased about 16% in real terms, said the bank. At the start of January, Bank Leumi will adjust 16 of its fees 11% and reduce five commissions 3%. Fifteen major commissioo rates will remain unchanged.

will be adjusted are: deferred checks (NIS 7.8 from NIS 7), check cancellation order ((NIS 13.3 instead of NIS 12), account transaction recording (NIS 0.88 instead of NIS 0.79), fixed management fee (NIS 6.9 instead of NIS 6) and payment of check at the counter (NIS 3.4 instead of NIS 3.5).

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

THE large banks are expected to raise commission rates next month, following Bank Leumi's decision to implement a new policy whereby some of its fees will be raised at the start of 1997,

fees for almost a year following Bank Leumi general manager Galia Maor's announcement in March that the bank had undertaken not to increase commissions in 1996. The policy was inteoded to improve relations with customers in an attempt to encourage them to increase business activity. As a result, most of the other large banks were forced to implement a similar policy to

Following Bank Leumi's change in policy, Bank Hapoulin, Bank Discount and First International Bank plan to raise their commission rates, a banking source said. Bank spokespersons said the banks have not yet decided on the issue. The banks are required to give the Bank of Israel and clients at least two weeks' notice before adjusting

Among the commissions which

NEWS IN BRIEF

Tenders out for Nazareth 2000 developments: The Government Tourist Corporation has issued tenders for four parts of its Nazareth 2000 project, in anticipation of the celebrations marking two millennia of Christianity. The project includes development of the town square at the foot of the Roman Catholic Basilica of the Amunciation, a square at the fountain in front of the Orthodox Church of the Amuniciation: a pilgrims' way through the town between the two squares; and the Scraya Market. According to David Harnik, the corporation's director-general, Nazareth 2000 is one of its most important projects, with an estimated NIS 20 million to be invested in the town's tourist infrastructure in 1997.

Doron appointed temporary head of Menorah Insurance: Menorah Insurance Company has appointed Gedalya Doron as temporary general-manager of the company. Gai will replace the late Shabtai Angel who died last week at the age of 60. Gal, who is a member of Menorah's board of directors, will serve as manager until Menorah's board find a permanent replacement.

Ericsson signs Lebanon deal: Swedish telecommunications company Ericsson and its Lebanese subsidiary signed an agreement to sell equipment to phone companies in Lebanon. The order has been signed with France Telecom in Lebanon and includes new switches and radio base station equipment. The order value is about

The new equipment will be installed during 1997-1998. France Telecom, with it's local partner, is the leading operator on the Lebanese market today. Total subscriber capacity of the system contracted with Ericsson now exceeds 160,000.

David Ha

Hamat signs agreement to sell German fancets in Israel: Germany's Blanco, a manufacturer of kitchen sinks, has signed a five-year exclusive representation agreement with Hamat, a member of the Merhay group. According to the agreement, Hamat will supply Blanco faucet to the Israeli market. Harsha, also a subsidiary of Merhav, has signed an agreement to distribute Italian Dolomite Ceramics in Israel. Dolomite is a leading European Galit Lipkis Beck manufacturer of sanitary products.

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Renters cuts 5% of workers in Americas: Renters Holdings, the worldwide news and financial information company, will lay off about 170 people in the Americas. The cuts amount to about 5

percent of Reuters' 3,500 workforce in the division.

Employees affected include journalists, marketing and sales staff, finance and technical workers, and 20% of those to be dismissed are at the management level.

While some sales operations will be consolidated, none of the company's offices or its 44 news bureaus in the Americas will be closed. The layoffs will probably be completed by mid-lanuary, the London-based company said.

UK's Clarke fights for Euro currency: UK Chancellor of the Exchequer Kenneth Clarke yesterday expressed sympathy for a single European currency and accused anti-European members of the roling Conservatives of wrecking Britain's negotiating position on the matter. Clarke ran into jeers from fellow Conservatives when he told them jettisoning the pound sterling would not mean joming a European superstate.

Prime Minister John Major's Conservatives are bitterly divided over the single currency, which the European Union plans to

PA, EU sign economic agreement

DAVID HARRIS

THE Palestinian Authority and European Union yesterday signed an interim agreement signalling the recognition of the PA as a full partner of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership.

The agreement on trade and cooperation was signed by PA Planning and International Cooperation Minister Nabil Shaath. In a statement, the EU said the signing reinforces the message that Europe sees the Palestinians as "equal participants in the emerging Euro-Mediterranean The agreement is similar to those signed with other countries in the

region, but also re-confirms trade concessions offered to Palestinians since 1986 and provides for free trade during a transitional period of five years. Furthermore, the existing agriculture arrangements have been renewed, with a review in two years.

The European Commission last week signed a financing agreement with the PA's Ministry of Finance for Ecu 20 million (NIS 81m.) to be transferred to the PA Ministry of Education. This followed PA Chairman Yasser Arafat's meeting with European foreign ministers in October, in which he requested assistance.

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The EU contribution to the PA's 1996 expenditures now totals \$86.1m. Since 1987, the EU has committed \$1.14 billion to the Palestinians and

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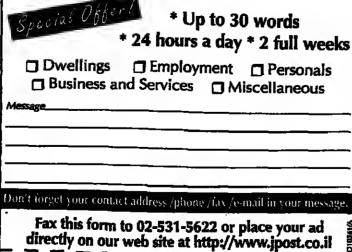
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Shares decline on US woes, led by exporters

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Two-Sided index

STOCK indexes fell as world stock and bond markets dropped and the US dollar fell against major currencies.

Concern that Japanese investors will pull their cash nut of the US sent US Treasury bonds tumbling. Stock indexes in France, Germany and the UK fell as much as 1.6 percent, following a plunge in bonds and US stocks

In Tel Aviv, the Maof index fell 0.95% to 214.90 and the Two-sided index fell 0.70% to 206.39. The general bond index ruse

Of 973 shares trading across the exchange, nearly twice as many shares rose as fell. Some NIS 105.4 million of shares changed hands, NIS 7.9m. helow Tuesday's level.

Israeli companies whose shares also trade in New York led stocks lower in Tel Aviv, with Koor Industries Ltd. falling 1.25% and Teva Pharmaceutical Industries

Ltd. declining 1%. Koor's American depositary receipts were down 1/4 at 16 7/8 in early trading in New York. Teva's ADRs were down 3/4 at 46

"After losses in Europe, there's the fear there will be losses here, too," said Avi Meir, investment manager at Israel General Bank in Tel Aviv. "There's particular concern about the dollar going

A weak dollar hurts exporters. because they earn dollars and pay expenses in shekels. More than half of Israel's higgest companies get the linn's share of their profits from exports.

Chemical exporters on the Manf index sank, Israel Chemical Ltd. fell 1.75%; Makhteshim Chemical Works and Dead Sea Works fell 1.25%, and Dead Sea Bromine fell 0.5%.

Other declining shares included Bezeq Ltd., which dropped 2%. A ministerial report Tuesday recommended opening the local communications husiness to competition no later than January

Eurobourses slip on Wall Street worries

World Market Roundup

LONDON (Reuter) - A fresh bout of market nerves that Wall Street's record-breaking run could be faltering depressed share prices worldwide yesterday and undermined the dollar.

Reviving fears of the red ink that washed over markets late last week, Wall Street, the world's biggest stock exchange, opened with pronounced iosses. Market-partieipants have fretted that the Dow, which has advanced by nearly a third this year, could be headed for a major correction. The London market's FTSE 100 index has risen by around 9 percent in 1996, a third of the

Dow's gain. The FTSE 100 index of bluechip stocks in London, Europe's leading stock market, last more than 70 points at one stage yesterday but ended down just over 50, or 1.3%.

amid investor enneern that Wall Street might be facing a major correction.

In two days of recovery in share prices on Monday and Tuesday, stocks had clawed their way back from sharp losses at the end of last week after remarks by US central bank chief Alan Greenspan nn the "irrational exoberance" of Wall Street------"in other news, the Bank of England signalled nn change in official interest rates yesterday after a monthly monetary policy meeting between Chancellor of the Exchequer Kenneth Clarke and Bank of England Gov. Eddie

George. The FTSE 100 index of leading British sbares ended 53.2 pnints lower at 3,982.5. The 30share DAX index in Frankfurt elased boarse floor-trading down 49.95 at 2,841.05 and was The Paris bourse finished around 1.7% lower, while trade. In Paris, the CAC-40 Frankfurt was down about 1.9% index ended dnwn 38.12 at in late computerized trading index ended dnwn 38.12 at 2,213.28.

Dow drops on fears of sustained pullback

WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks fell sharply yesterday as a hig runup in interest rates sparked worries that the market may be beginning a sustained retreat from record high

At the close on Wall Street, the Dow Jones industrial average was down 70.73 at 6,402.52, recovering from the day's worst loss of

With the exception of some technology stocks, the sell-off was broad based, hitting blue chips as well as secondary issues. Declining issues numumbered advancers by a 4-to-1 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, with 524 up, 2,148 down and 668 unchanged.

NYSE volume totaled 494.19

million shares vs. 446.80 million in the previous session. The Standard and Poor's 500-stock index fell 6.81 to 740.73, and the NYSE's composite index fell 4.36 to 389.54. The Nasdaq composite index fell

3,42 to 1,309,13, and the American Stock Exchange's market value index declined 6.87 to 583.92.

Stocks opened lower and stayed under water all day as the bond market sustained dramatic losses.

The benchmark 30-year Treasury bond was down more than 1 11-16 points late in the day. Its yield, which rises when prices fall, was 6.62 percent, up from 6.49% late

The strength of the bond market, where interest rates have fallen sharply in recent months, has been an important factor in the stock market's powerful recovery from July's selloff.

But bonds tumbled after yesterday's Wall Street Journal noted mounting fears that Japanese investors might slow their purchases of US Treasury bonds. Investors in Japan might cut back in response to a rise in the dollar, which makes US investments more expensive for them, and slow

growth in their own economy. The worries were compounded by a government report that inflation at the wholesale level jumped 0.4% last month.

Stock investors were still smarting from a drop last Friday after Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said he thought stocks were being pushed inappropriately to record levels by investors "irra-

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Galil wins for naught

IN an evening that was seemingly scripted by Edgar Allen Poe, a Hannuka miracle turned into a painful twist of fate. Minutes after pulling off an improbable victory by the minimum oumber of points required to reach the round of 16 in the European Team Cup competition, Scopia Macedonia pulled off a surprise 77-75 victory over Benefica Lisbon and grabbed the final spot in the next round of play. Rishon Lezion's sojourn in European competition ended as

well, as its 79-76 loss in Athens to Sporting gave the Greek cluh a two point aggregate victory as Korac club competition enters the quarter-final stage. Elsewhere. Hapoel Jerusalem

defeated the Swedish Gutteberg club, and will now face either Benefica Lisbon or the German Ulm cluh in the European Team

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Galil Elyon 118 Pleven 110 (OT) All appeared lost after a shoddy second-half performance by the northerners turned a 55-47 halftime advantage into a 75-69 deficit. However with just six minutes remaining. Mark Karver, Jason Dixon and Alon Stein sparked a late run that gave Galil a 93-89 lead with 1:20 to play.

Harrisimer Demitrov responded with five points on two successive possessions, enabling the Bulgarians to take a 96-95 lead with just 15 sec-

onds left in regulation.

Coach David Blatt, sensing that the northerners only hope would be to force an overtime session, immediately ordered his troops to commit a foul. After Peter Petrov converted two free throws, the Bulgarians led by three rith just seven seconds remaining.

That was when it really started getting weird. Karver connected on an unfathomable three-point prayer and was fouled in the process. He then purposely missed his first free throw

In the overtime period, the northerners exploded on an 8-2 run over the last 1:30 in order to garner the necessary eight-point victory.

The happiness was short-lived though, as the Macedonia victory threw a damper on the festivities. Karver paced the northerners with

27 points, with Andrew Kennedy and

Gil Sela chipping in 19 apiece. George Mladenov had 33 for the Bulgarians. Hapoel Jerusalem 98 Gutteberg 86 Hapoel utilized an extremely balanced attack en route to the comfortable victory. Dan Bingenheimer led Jerusalem with 19 points while Motti Daniel (17), Doron Shefa (17), Billy Thompson (14) and Adi Gordon (13)

helped shoulder the offensive load. Sporting Athens 79 Risbon Lezion 76 Rishon's run of poor play continues, as it lost to the ninth place team in the Greek standings. The loss ended Rishon's European play this season, and gives the club an opportunity to focus purely on the National Basketball League.

Maccabi faces crucial game tonight against Ulker

IT'S do or die time for Maccahi Tel Aviv.

A victory over Ulker Istanbul tonight (Channel 1, 8:45) sends coach Zvi Sherf's club into the next round of Euroleague play as one of the top three teams in Group A, meaning they'll face easier clubs in the next level of competition.

A loss to the Turks makes Ulker the number three team from Group A. Maccabi is then likely to be grouped with more of the European powerhouses in the next round of play, making the road to the Final Four that much more difficult.

The Turks certainly have some momentum, coming off last week's sturning double overtime victory over Limoges, in which the French club's inability to hit foul shots down the stretch coupled with some sensational late three-point shooting gave Ulker the victory.

That however was in Istanbul. before the Turkish club's wild fans. Even Maccabi succumbed to Ulker in Turkey, losing there 84-80 back in October. Tonight, at Yad Eliahu, things should be different - or will they?

Based on Maccabi's recent Euroleague performances at home, there's reason for concern. Last week's shabby victory over Panionios and the home loss before that to Limoges have faus wondering whether someone should check the mezuzas at Yad Eliahu: ----There's more reason for con-

cem: super sub Brad Leaf hurt his back in Monday night's victory over Galil Elyoo, making him questionable for tonight. After playing outstanding ball against CSKA Moscow, Randy White has returned to being a Euroleague enigma, and played particularly

RONNEN Harazi's move to

Sunderland has fallen through

after a detailed scan of his foot at

8 Newcastle hospital this week

Harazi, who was already back in

Israel when the news came

through, was bitterly disappointed

by the ocws and will undergo

surgery as soon as possible to cor-

He has subsequently been

released from the national team by

coach Shlomo Scharf and is

expected to be out of action for

about three mooths. Harazi's

absence prompted Scharf to call up

Bnei Yehuda striker Alon Mizrahi

Harazi had previously suffered a

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match-up, where he went to the bench with four fouls with over 12 minutes to play. The fact that Maccahi's defense gave up 86 poiots to the usually defenseminded Galil Elyon club also is worrisome.

Still, Doron Sheffer has played well of late. Oded Katash is due for a big game after sputtering vs. the Greeks last week, Buck Johnson has been in fine form, and Naday Henefeld has been nothing short of brilliant in recent weeks. and was named to the All-Europe team this week.

One good thing for Maccabi: Teoman Alibegovic, the man whose late three-pointers lifted Ulker to victory over Maccabi in Istanhul, will oot be suiting up tonight. After his dramatics vs. Maccabi, it was believed the Slovac forward had saved his joh as Ulker's second foreigner. However, since then his play has fallen off again, and he is reportedly in the process of being replaced by Ulker, who left him home in Istanhul.

That doesn't mean Maccabi can relax, Ulker's other foreigner, Dan Godfread, managed to sneak in for some easy baskets in the first game between the two teams, and he is shooting a fine 57.3% from the field in Euroleague play. Even more dangerous is Hakki Erdenay, who has hit an incredible 21-42 three-pointers in Europe. The Turks love to pot it up from way out, as evidenced by their 81-208 (38,9%) accuracy from beyond the arc so far this year.

Kevin Rankin leads the Turks' frontcourt anack, where he's grab-

Harazi's move to Sunderland nixed

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game, and point guard Orhun Ena is also dangerous and had a good game against Maccabi in Istanbul. Both he and Haluk Yildirim are averaging close to 40% on their three-point attempts.

Borko Radovic had a good game vs. the Turks, but has seen little playing time since Sherf chose to go with the Sheffer-Katash backcourt. With Leaf hurt, it might be Radovic's night. Maccabi should pound the ball inside to its big men and do everything to stop the Turks' three-point shooting to beat Ulker.

Win or lose, Maccabi's European season will continue. but isn't it time the club reward its fans at Yad Eliahu by delivering an old-fashioned whupping to a Euroleague opponent? Doing so in tonight's important encounter with the Turks will not only energize the club for the road ahead, but will send a message to European opponents that on its home court, Maccabi is still king of its castle.

In other local basketball news, Maccabi's Guy Goodes has been forced to shelve plans to return to action for the time being. According to reports in the

Hebrew press, Goodes's injured knee swelled up again when he tried to resume a full schedule of practices, and he has been told to rest for the next few months, meaning his season is essentially over.

Meanwhile, National Basketball League officials" announced that Hapoel Safed has ceased functioning due to financial troubles. Safed therefore will be automatically relegated to the second division next year, and all its games played this season will not count, with necessary adjustments made to teams' records who already

ROADBLOCK - New York's center, Patrick Ewing, slams into Washington's center Gheorghe Muresan during Tuesday's game at

Madison Square Garden. Ewing was boord throughout the game for comments he made in the press about Knicks fans.

Knicks hand Bullets fifth straight loss

NEW YORK (AP) - Patrick but Smith's three-point play allowed the Warriors to regain their doublesince he criticized New York fans, heard some of the loudest boos of his career as the Knicks scot Washington to its fifth straight loss, 85-73 Tuesday night.

Ewing was booed chiring player introductions and nearly every time be touched the ball, but he scored four straight baskets after his O-for-8 start to help New York pull ahead. for good in the second quarter.

The 12-year veteran finished with 15 points on 7-for-21 shooting as the Knicks beat the Bullets for the 13th straight time at Madison Square Garden. Allan Houston and John Starks

also had 15 points for New York. Buck Williams had a season-high 15 rebounds. Chris Wehber Ied Washington

with 20 points and 12 rebounds. Jazz 110, Pacers 86

Host Utah set a franchise record with its 15th consecutive victory, getting a career-high 21 points and 15

rebounds from Greg Ostertag. Utah broke its previous record of 14 consecutive wins set in 1994-95 – the season the Jazz finished with a franchise-best 60 wins.

Karl Malone scored 14 of his 22 points in the second half and Jeff Hornacek added 15 points as the Jazz improved to 17-2 for the year.

Warriors 101, Raptors 91 Joe Smith scored a career-high 36 points and grabbed a season-high 17 rebounds for visiting Golden State. Latrell Sprewell added 23 points, Chris Mullen 16 and the Warriors outrebounded the Raptors 51-32 in ending Toronto's four-game home winning streak.

The Raptors closed to 78-71 on Carlos Rogers' layup with 8:57 left,

Smith made 12-of-14 free throws and the Warriors, the NBA's top free-throw shooting team, hit 32-of-38 Damon Stondamire had 19 points

and 10 assists for Toronto. Hawks 89, Nuggets 88 Steve Smith capped off a brilliant second half by hitting a jumper in the lane with 3.9 seconds left.

Smith managed only two points in the first half but scored 18 in the final two quarters as the Hawks won their seventh in a row at home.

Denver lost for the 11th time in 12 games despite a stirring fourth-quarter cometack that had the Nuggets on the verge of stealing a road win. Dale Ellis and LaPhonso Ellis scored 10 points apiece in the final quarter but each missed a critical shot in the closing

After a Dale Ellis miss with 10.5 seconds left the Hawks set by a play for Smith, who took a pass fitted Mookie Blaylock, soun in the lane and

sank an 11-footer. Heat 76, Cavaliers 74 Voshoo Lenard banked in a twisting second-chance shot at the buzzer for After Bobby Phills tied it at 74 with

two free throws with 24 seconds left. the Heat set up a 3-point attempt that Dan Majerle missed from the top of

The rebound bounced toward the ideline, and after chasing it down, Lenard dribbled through defenders before making a wild, double-clutch jumper just before the buzzer sounded. Lenard had eight points. The Heat was led by Tim Hardaway's 25, while Alonzo Mourning had 14.

Rockets 96, Timberwolves 94 Clyde Drexier made an off-balance, driving layup with 1.3 seconds to play

Drexler scored a season-high points and Hakeem Olajuwon had 29 for Houston. Charles Barkley, slowed by a foot injury, had just seven points but grabbed 12 rebounds.

Sam Mitchell, subbing for the injured Kevin Gamett, scored a season-high 28 points for Minnesota, which lost its fifth straight. Rookie guard Stephon Marbury added 18 ints and 12 assists.

After Mitchell's two free throws tied it with 24.6 seconds left, Drexler took the ball at the top of the key, drove past Doug West and avoided an attempted block by 7-foot-3 Stoyko Vrankovic by banking in his shot high off the board.

Chris Carr had a chance to tie the game in the final second, but missed the first of two foul shots.
Pistons 93, Bucks 85

In Milwankee, Joe Dumars scored

14 of his 29 points in the fourth quarter and Grant Hill added 26 as Detroit won its fifth straight The Bucks were led by Vin Bakef with 28 points, but sorely missed Glenn Robinson, out with a sprained

right ankle. The Pistons opened the final quarter with consecutive 3-pointers by Dumars and Terry Mills to go in front

75-70, a lead they never relinquished. Suns 93, Spurs 76 In a matchip between sickly teams, host Phoenix proved its getting well faster than San Antonio.

Wesley Person tied his career-high with 29 points as the Suns won their

fourth straight.
San Amonio's 10th loss in its last 11 mes spoiled the head coaching debut of Gregg Popovich, the club's general manager, who fired and replaced Bob Hill earlier Tuesday.

David Robinson, sidelined with a some back for the fast 18 games this season, had nine points and nine rebounds in 20 minutes of his season debut. Dominique Wilkins led San Antonio

Magic 99, Blazers 93 Gerald Wilkins scored 10 of his 18 points in the last 5:16 to help visiting Orlando snap a four-game losing

Penny Hardaway, returning to action after being sidelined since Nov. 17 with a knee injury, scored 16 points, including a clutch 3-pointer just before the 24-second buzzer sounded so put the Magic ahead 87-83 with 4:30

Dennis Scott also had 18 points for Orlando in his first action since Nov. 23 because of a hamstring pull. Clifford Robinson led the Blazers with a season-high 33 points.

Mavericks 100, Clippers 95 Chris Gatling scored 14 of his 30 points in the third quarter to lead visitne Dallas.

Jason Kidd added 18 points and George McCloud had 17 for the Malik Sealy and Loy Vaught led the Chippers with 14 points each 1860 Richardson Midded 13 points for Land Angeles.

Lakers 92, Kings 90 Eddie Jones made two free throws with nine seconds remaining and visiting Los Angeles withstood the loss of lick Van Exel to an ejection.

The Kings had a chance to tie it but Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf missed a desperation 20-foot jumper as time

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the European Championship qualifying campaign in 1994-95. Following his recovery, scans of his foot at local hospitals showed that the injury had healed completely, making yesterday's news

all the more surprising for Harazi. Although he is able to play at present, the Newcastle doctors who reviewed Harazi's scan said they could not guarantee that the ankle was fully healed and that the injury would not recur.

Sunderland manager Peter Reid broke the bad news to Harazi yes-The player will thus return to the

ranks of Betar Jerusalem, although his assistance in bringing Betar another championship title this season is very unlikely.

Sheffield Wednesday today. Manager David Pleat invited Nimni for just two days' training and appears ready to sign the midfielder immediately. Nimni has no known fitness problems which might thwart his

The other Israel international

hoping to play in England, Avi

Ninni, will return from trials with

plans. He returns home today. Nimni and Harazi were the only two players to miss out on yesterday's national team training session in preparation for the World Cup qualifier with Luxembourg on Sunday.

The squad has a day's rest today before beginning final prepara-tions for the match tomorrow. The Luxembourg squad arrives in Israel today and will train at the National Stadium this evening.

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South Africa facing 'impossible odds'

KANPUR, India (Reuter) -India's bowlers, inspired by forcaptain Mohammed Azharuddin's unbeaten 163, carried their side to the brink of a first series victory over South Africa in the third and final Test yesterday. The South Africans, set an

impossible target of 461 to win.

had slumped to 127 for five by the

close on the fourth day and facing the near-certainty of a 2-1 series reverse on the last day. Azharuddin, sacked as captain earlier this year and nearly dropped from the side altogether, punished the tourists' attack in the first session after starting the day

12 runs short of his century.

India first innings 237 (S.Tendulfur 61, W.Paman 57; P.Adams 6-55)
South Africa first hinings 177 (A.Kumble 4-71, J.Srinath 3-42)
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The elegant 33-year-old right-

Kapoor not out Editas (b-4 b-14 rb-2) 20 Total (for 7 wickets declared, 128 evers) Fall of wickets: 1-22-41 3-91 4-121 5-192 6-Bowling: De Villiere 24-10-56-2 (2nt), Krusener 25-7-72-2, McMillien 16-6-36-0, Cronje 15-5-31-0, Adems 20-1-84-2, Symcox 26-2-101-1,

hander, who scored a 74-ball hondred in Calcutta, duly completed his 16th century in 75 tests and by the declaration had struck 25 boundaries and a six off Pat Symcox in 8 288-ball stay. His sixth-wicket stand of 165 with Dravid (56), was an Indian record for any wicket

against South Africa.

India finally called a halt at their lunch score of 400 for seven, setting the South Africans a target never achieved by a side batting last in 120 years of Test cricket. South Africa suffered an early hlow when left-hander Gary Kirsten, who scored centuries in both imings of the second test at Calcutta, was trapped leg before for seven by Javagal Srinath. Herschelle Gibbs was bowled by

Venkatesh Prasad for five and

Darryl Cullinan, at the non-striker's

end, was run out for two by a direct

hit from Tendulkar at mid-off.

South Africa second linnings A.Hudson c sub (Lasman) b Kumble 31 G.Kissten low b Sringth 7 H.Gibbs b Presed 5 D.Cullinen run out 2 H.Cronie c Tenduliser b Joshi B.McMillen not out 18

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DOUBLE-bassist Petracchi gives a masterclass at the Israel Conservatory of Music in Tel Aviv today (9:30-a.m.-12.30 and 2-4).

YOUNG pianist Selim Abud Ashkar present a recital tomorrow (noon) at the Jerusalem Music Centre playing music by Beethoven, Chopin and Brahms.

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THE Keshet Baroque Orchestra opens another series of basically baroque programs played on socalled original instruments Saturday (8:30) at the Israel Music Conservatory in Tel Aviv, performing 17th-century German music.

THE Tones and Colors at the Gallery series con-tinues with a recital by flutist Er ella Talmi and harpsichordist Jochewed Schwarz playing music by Handel, Avni, Bach, Scarlani, Pelemand and Flothuis. Saturday (11 a.m.) at the Municipal Gallery in Kfar Sava and next Wednesday (8:30) at the Tel Aviv University Gallery.

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Tomorrow List Dror and Nir Ben-Gal present Investigation, their introspective new piece, on the mainstage at 2 p.m.

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22:00 Three Colors: Red (French, 1994; – final part of Krzysztof Klestowski's trilogy. A young beauty enters the closed world of an ambitiered former judge. With Irene Jacobs and Jean-Louis Trintignant. (95 mins.) 22:40 Master of Horror – documentary on the career of horror-firm master Dano Argento. Excepts from his tamous movies, including Suspiria and Inferno, are shown (80 mins.)

III DISCOVERY (8)

6:00 Open University 12:00 Cousteau – Madegascar (rpt) 13:00 Visionanes (rpt) 14:00 Open University 16:00 Cousteau (17:00 Visionaries (rpt) 18:00 Open University 20:00 Survival: Parenthood University 20:00 Survival: Parenthood Game – how vanous species rase their young 21:00 Telescope 21:30 Wild horizons: The Elusive Sloth Bear – fascinating documentary on India's sloth bear, of which lever then 1,000 exist today 22:00 The Pirates of Perzance – Light opera by Gibert and Sullivan 00:00 Meryl Tankard: The Black Swan – portrait of a choreogranus.

E SUPER CHANNEL

8:00 The Selina Scott Show 7:00 The Trotest 7:30 NBC News with Torn Brokaw 8:00 Today 10:00 Wall Street Morning Reports 11:00 European Money Wheel 15:30 Wall Street Morning Reports 16:00 MSNBC – The She 18:00 National Geographic 19:00 Executive Lifestyles 19:30 The Ticket 20:00 The Selina Soott Show 21:00 Dateline 23:00 The Toright Show with Jay Leno 00:00 Late Naght with Cornen O'Brien 1:00 Later with Greg Kinnear 1:30 NBC News with Torn Brokaw 2:00 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno 3:00 MSNBC – Internight

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9:30 Horse racing: World Cup (rpt) 10:30 Motorscorts Magazine 11:30 Alpine Sking: Super G Women's Cup, France 13:00 Bisshlon: World Cup, Norway 15:00 Showboard Magazine 15:30 Carnosing and Kayatorg 18:00 Shooker: German Open – Irve 18:00 Biathlon: World Cup, Norway (rpt) 19:00 Alpine Sking 20:00 Soccer: World Cup Legends 21:00 Shooker: German Open – Five 23:00 Body Building: Mr. and Mrs. World, Germany 00:00 Boxing 1:00 Sasing Magazine 1:30 Motor racing on toe, France (rpt) 2:00 Recreational sport magazine (rpt) magazine (rpt)

PRIME SPORTS

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E BBC WORLD

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10:05 Bell on Bosnia (rpt) 11:30 Earth
Report (rpt) 14:05 Horizon (rpt) 15:15 World
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Clothes Show 20:00 The World Today
22:05 Assignment (rpt) 22:50 Earth Report
23:30 Tomorrow's World 00:00 BBC World
News & Business Report

RADIO

EVOICE OF MUSIC

6:06 Morning Concert 9:05 Mozart: Quintet in A for clarinet and strings KS81: Weber: Piano concerto no 2; Schumann: Symphony no 1 "Spring"; Vaughan Williams: Fantasy on Greensleeves); Bartot: Sonsta for violin solo; Janecelc Sinfortietta: Totalovsky: excerpts from Sleeping Beauty 12:00 Noon with Gideon Hod - tamilian music and quiz 14:05 Encore 15:00 Voice of Music magazine 16:00 Monteverdi: Magnificat (Concerto Italiano); Bact: 7rio sonata in G for organ BWV 530; Beethoven: String quartet op 18:5 (Mosaic); Britien: Suite for cello solo no 3 op 87; Martinu: Nonet (18:95); Kodaly: Sonata for cello and piano op 4 (Perenyi, Jando) 18:05 New CDs - Roy Harris (18:98-1879); Symphony no 3 (Detroit SO/Janv); Marcus Roberts: Faritasy on Gershwin's Fitnapaody in Blue; Gershwin: I Got Rhythm variations for piano and orch; Copland: Symphony no 3 (Detroit SO/Janv) 20:05 A Window on Musical Cultures - ethnic week at the Jerusalem Music Center. Concert no 5 - Arabic musical tradition 22:00 From the Recording Studio - Tel Aviv Wind Christet. Bach: Prelude and Fugue in D minor BWV 539 arr Mortiachail Rechtman); A. Feir: Paritia for wind quintet (1940); Rossini: Chuartet no 1 in F for flute, clarinet, bassoon and horn; Jan Radzinsky; Seranade for wind outlinet (1991).

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Police: Russian criminal groups a threat to state

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ATTEMPTS by organized crime to penetrate Israel represent a "strategic threat" to the state, the head of the police intelligence division told the Knesset State Control Committee yesterday.

In the wake of mass immigration since 1989, Cmdr. Hezi Leder said, a previously unknown phenomenon hit Israel in the form of violent criminal figures willing to use "any means" to achieve their ends. These underworld leaders are trying to infiltrate Israel's political and economic system, Leder said.

Leder said police had worried these criminals might attempt to influence the outcome of the last elections or even gain control of some political body. Such things have happened in other countries. even in the West, he said, and the activity of these criminals constitutes a "strategic threat" to Israel. The police know certain crimi-

nal elements discussed whether it would be better to infiltrate one of the two large political parties or try to gain influence in a smaller party, Leder said. Still, police do not know what was decided.

The criminal groups have tried to infiltrate local authorities, the media and the economy, Leder said. He described how one suspect asked the Bank of Israel for permission to set up a bank. The central bank denied a permit, so he applied for permission to set up a branch of a Russian bank. The central bank again refused and eventually called the president of the Russian bank to ask him to put a stop to the requests. The next day, Leder said, the Russian

banker was shot dead. There are several ministries targeted by these criminal figures, Leder said, including Interior, Justice, Finance, and Industry and Trade. In one affair that police nicknamed "Russian Romance," an Israeli worker in the Interior

THE Supreme Court yesterday

overturned the conviction of a

man who already spent three-and-

a-half years in jail for drug smug-

gling. David Shmerling had been con-

victed along with two other men

of bringing a large quantity of

heroin into the country and was

Shmerling, Herzl Zion and Dov

ners in Haifa from 1989 to 1993.

In 1992, their business ran into

financial troubles and, according

to their indictment, they decided

to go into drug running. Their first

attempt failed, but they later suc-

ceeded in smoggling 49 kilos of

Alexander was the one who

actually made the trips to Turkey.

heroin.

serving 13 years in prison.

Ministry was found to have helped criminals immigrate on false documents. Those responsible for the affair have since been indicted.

Leder said it was very difficult to fight this problem when Israel has not even enacted a law against money laundering.
Former internal security minis-

ter Moshe Shahal (Labor) told the committee he was warned about such infiltrations by his Russian counterpart when be served as minister. He estimated suspect elements already brought some \$2 billion into Israel.

Committee Chairman Ran Cohen (Meretz) said it would be very easy to buy influence in the Israeli political system, because there are few restrictions on contributions to individual candidates. While there are restrictions on donations to parties, these apply only nine months before election day, he said.

At the request of Shahal and Ra'anan Cohen (Labor), Leder also addressed the reported preelection meeting between Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and Russian businessman Grigori Lushansky, who is suspected by the police of being a leading underworld figure. Leder said the police had received information indicating that such a meeting took place, but said the information had not been verified. Yisrael Ba'aliya spokesman Moti Inbari said Lushansky is not even on the Interior Ministry's "not welcome"

Inbari also took issue with Leder's remarks on the Russian flavor of organized crime here, saying that if there is a "Russian threat," it is time the police stopped talking about it and began making arrests.

"We are very critical of the fact that the police are always talking, but not doing a thing," he said. "And meanwhile, they are slandering an entire community."



Trucks bearing banners reading 'Enough Transport Ministry Abandonment' roll through Tel Aviv yesterday, in a protest against permission being given for Jordanian truckers to haul cargo.

(Ilan Ossendryver/Israel Sun)

Canadian diplomat expelled as suspected drug smuggler

THE first officer of the Canadian Embassy was expelled from the country two weeks ago after being suspected of smuggling cocaine in his diplomatic pouch and engag-ing in drug trafficking worth mil-lions of dollars.

The expulsion of 20-year diplomatic veteran Douglas Wardle was disclosed yesterday, following the lifting of a publication ban. Since diplomats enjoy immunity from prosecution and police are not allowed to question them, a Canadian police representative was sent here, and following recommendations Wardle was sent

A police source said diplomat Wardle served as more than just a Hazan, 37, of Beersheba and

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courier and actually financed the drug shipments.
"It is more than probable that tens of kilos have already been distributed bere which we

missed," said the source. The police source said the drugs were purchased in the US and were brought here, via Canada, by Wardle. Police broke the case following a two-month undercover investigation, based on tip-offs.

Police are still investigating whether other employees of the Canadian Embassy were involved in the cocaine smuggling opera-tion. So far two Israelis, Meir have been arrested in the case.

But Tel Aviv detectives are searching for a third Israeli who is believed to be the leader of the drug gang. This man, reportedly a friend of Wardle's, has apparently evaded police at Ben-Gurion Airport and fled the country.

Hazan, suspected of being a cocaine distributor, was arrested on November 21 at his home. He was remanded for eight days by Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday. Seven kilos of cocaine. allegedly smuggled by Wardle, were found in a suitcase in his

The Canadian Embassy has refused to comment on the case.

Bill to bar 'memorials to

Court okays interrogation of Salameh

EVELYN GORDON

THE High Court of Justice gave the General Security Service permission yesterday to contininterrogating suspected cas terrorist Hassan Salameh, hut said it would reconsider Salameh's petition against the interrogation in 45

Salameh was indicted in August for planning and orga-nizing three of the hus bombings in February-March of this year, hat the GSS received new information against Salameh last month, and now suspect him of having been involved in several other unsolved terrorist attacks.

Winning cards In yesterday's daily Chance drawing, the winning cards were the seven of spades, the nine of hearts, the ten of diamonds and the ace of clubs.

Researchers link bone aging to single gene JUDY SIEGEL

ISRAELI scientists studying residents of rural Turkmenia and Chrvashia in the CIS have discovered that the aging of bone is caused by a single gene, rather than by the large number of genes previously believed to be involved. This finding was described by the researchers as an "important breakthrough," because it will lead not only to the identification and mapping of the gene, but also to understanding the biochemical chain reactions that lead from the gene itself to the breakdown of the bones.

The research was carried out by Prof. Zvi Livshits and Prof. Yair Ben-David of Tel Aviv University's ekier school of Medicit funded by the Science Ministry (because of the involvement of immigrant scientists) and carried out with support from genome labs in Berlin and Heidelberg and a university lab in Madrid.

Livshits, who was born in Russia. made connections with labs and scientists in his native country. This allowed the two Israelis to study blood and urine samples from 800 residents of Turkmenistan in the southern CIS and 600 Chuvashis. who live in central Russia. As anthropologists, the two TAU scientists knew how to identify large families who have been living in circumscribed areas for many genera-

They took samples from several generations of 100 families and performed scans with a mobile bone density scanner, in cooperation with Prof. Oleg Pavlovsky of the University of Moscow. On the basis of the data, the TAU scientists conducted epidemiological, genetic, and statistical analyses, which all pointed to the fact that one gene was responsible for the breakdown of bones over a lifetime.

Osteoporosis, in which bones lose density, is a normal process after the age of 70. But among 10% of women and a smaller percentage of men, their bones lose calcium and become spongy in their 60s or ever their 50s. Certain drugs can slow an reduce the loss of bone mass if take before most of the damage is done.

Court overturns drug conviction

He was caught by the police and implicated the other two. According to Alexander, Zion and Shmerling planned the scheme, put up the money and located other men used in the scheme.

EVELYN GORDON

Shmerling and Zion claimed Alexander falsely accused them because they fell out over their blamed Alexander for their financial troubles, and this was his way

of taking revenge, they said. The Tel Aviv District Court found Alexander's testimony believable and convicted the two men in July 1994. They then appealed to the Supreme Court. Justices Eliezer Goldberg, Eliahu Mazza and Ya'acov Kedmi

all agreed that there was enough evidence supporting Alexander's testimony to convict Zion. Goldberg and Mazza, however,

said there was not enough evidence to convict Shmerling. There was no evidence against him except Alexander's testimony, they said, and that's not enough for a conviction.

The third judge, Kedmi, said it would be illogical to suppose Alexander and Zion would have embarked on a crime meant to rescue their business without Shmerling's knowledge. This made Alexander's testimony believable, he said.

Goldberg and Mazza said logic does not constitute independent supporting evidence of the type needed for a conviction.

THE opposition scored a small victory in the Knesset yesterday, when a bill proposed by MK Ran Cohen (Meretz) to ban the raising of monuments to murderers passed preliminary reading by 36 to 32, with three abstentions.

The government opposed the bill and Justice Minister Tzahi Hanegbi held a filibuster in the plenum in an attempt to give coalition faction chairman Michael Eitan time to find enough MKs to vote against it.

Cohen said he raised the bill following reports Baruch Goldstein's grave has become a shrine, on the one hand, and in view of the stated intentions of the family of Salah Nazel, the terrorist suicide

murderers' passes prelim LIAT COLLINS

bomber who blew up a Dan bus in Tel Aviv in October 1994, to raise a memorial in his hopor.

He said all Israelis oppose murder and the adoration of murderers. "There's is no argument on this between religious and secular, left and right, because we're talking about having a clear conscience as a nation. We can't accept that under our rule in our own country a site be established to attract those who worship murderers," Cohen said. He noted that, according to the law, every grave must be in a recognized burial ground and Goldstein's tomb on the outskirts of Kiryat Arba violates the law. He called for Goldstein's grave to be moved to a regular cemetery. MKs from the Third Way voted

with the opposition in favor of the bill, allowing it to pass. Hanegbi said the bill would not help the specific case for which it was being proposed. He said the bill had been raised specifically as a cry against Goldstein's grave, but he noted that even if it were to become law it would not apply in Judea and Samaria, and would also not apply retroactively in the

case of Goldstein's grave. He said the Justice Ministry is examining other legal options to "rectify the

Police radar guns catch speeding buildings, sidewalks Jerusalem Post Staff

WHEN a police radar gun, used for catching speeding drivers, registers that a stationary huilding is moving 22 kilometers per hour, it's time to ask just how accurate the radar gun is.

In recent tests carried out by an IDF military court, the radar gun failed to register any speed for a moving car 70 percent of the time.

It registered the wrong speed in 20 percent of the trials, and managed to record the correct speed in 10 percent of instances.

But the same radar gun also reg istered a building as moving at 22 kph, a sidewalk going 19 kph, and a fence as travelling 19 kph an hour - in reverse.

The tests, which were reported

on this week by Army Radio, were carried out in October as part of a

trial in the Southern Command Military Court of two soldiers for speeding. The two, who had been driving in an urban area, where the maximum speed is 50 kph, had been recorded as driving 83 and

The accused, who had been charged on the basis of evidence from a radar gun borrowed by the Military Police from their civilian counterparts, brought two experts who asserted that the radar guns were unreliable. The two cited information provided by the manufacturers to show that a great number of external factors could affect the accuracy of the radar

gun recordings. As a result of the evidence, the court decided to conduct its own test. Taking part were civilian police officers, military policemen, the accused, the witnesses, and the members of the court. A verdict in the case is expected

Meanwhile, in light of the incident, the Road Safety Authority (RSA), which provides the police with funds for enforcement equipment, has cast serious doubts on police acquisition procedures.

RSA spokesman Shmuel Bahagon revealed vesterday that last year the authority transferred NIS 2 million to the police to buy 30 Harley Davidson motorcycles for traffic enforcement. When the RSA asked later where the motorcycles were, they were told that almost all of them had been transferred to the National Police Ceremonial Division, for use in

escorting foreign dignitaries.

Bahagon said the RSA has to depend upon the police to use its professional expertise in buying traffic enforcement equipment, but at the same time, it expects the police to be make sure such equipment is suitable.

"The Road Safety Authority expects the police to check sevenfold any equipment which it buys from public funds, and to subject all such purchases to a professional examination," Bahagon said.

Striking Arab council heads to step up fight for equal budgets

STRIKING Israeli Arab council heads yesterday vowed to intensify their fight to equalize their budgets with those of Jewish local authorities, after a disappointing response by foreign ambassadors to invitations to visit their protest tent opposite the Prime Minister's

Only representatives from three out of 30 embassies - Slovakia, Costa Rica and Russia - invited actually visited the protest tent yesterday. 'We are convinced that pres-

sure was put on the countries involved and for that reason the ambassadors did not come or send representatives," said Hussein Suleiman, spokesman for the forum of Arab Council



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